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No Shave November Ends With a Buzz

By Jean Perry

It was fun while it lasted, but “No Shave November” must eventually come to an end.

Five of Rochester’s finest said farewell to their beloved beards and goatees on December 1 while in the salon chairs of the Old Colony Cosmetology classroom as Cosmetology and Health Care Career students came at them with their razors— which is a darn shame, said Officer Sean Crook, whose wife was really digging his stubble.

No Shave November is an annual fundraiser for first responders to raise money for Home Base, a Red Sox Foundation and Mass General Hospital Program that supports the “invisible wounds” of veterans, service members, and their families. Eleven officers of the Rochester Police Department pledged a \$100 donation in exchange for a month-long exemption from the department’s facial hair policy limiting male officers’ facial hair to mustache only, raising just over \$1,000.

Above the noise of the electric razors, Officers Robert Nordahl, Sean Crook, Alex Malo, Jason Denham, and Nathan Valente admitted that they’d miss their

whiskers to some degree.

“This was the first time I’ve ever had a full beard,” said Crook, whose wife never approved of him in a mustache but rather liked the look of the beard. “It was showing a lot of gray, though, so it was showing my age – or my wisdom,” he preferred to say.

Donning a teal cape, Nordahl also lamented, “I’m losing all my wisdom, all my gray,” as one of the junior Cosmetology students trimmed down his stubble.

“This is the first time the junior students are doing beards,” said Cosmetology instructor Tammy Hoyle. “My juniors have more experience with beards.”

After Phase 1 with the juniors and their electric trimmers, the officers moved over to the Phase 2 station for a hot towel and a close-up with a straight razor.

“Ready to get rid of that mustache?” student Mikayla Murray asked Officer Valente whose facial hair was the most robust of the department for the second year in a row.

But not so fast, interjected instructor Rhonda Amaral.

“Are any of you guys on blood thinners?” Amaral asked, addressing the Health Care Career seniors wielding disposable razors. “Always ask a police officer if he’s on any blood thinners.”

“What if they say yes?” one student asked.

“Well, I don’t think *we’d* shave them if they say yes,” said Amaral.

The Cosmetology room was packed with students working or observing, teachers overseeing, and those who



On the Cover: Salty Claus – Early this past Friday, December 1, as folks were rushing to work and children settling into school, an annual tradition transpired in Mattapoisett at the corner of Route 6 and North Street. With the placement of the Santa hat upon the head of our beloved Salty the Seahorse, the holiday season officially began. As they do every year, the folks at Brownell Systems assisted the Mattapoisett Land Trust in the placement of the hat via a tall crane. Photo by Paul Lopes

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just came to watch and enjoy the spectacle.

"You guys are good sports, I tell ya," said Amaral.

"What are you trying to say, Ms. Amaral?" said one student.

Crook asked the students working on the officers, "Are you always this quiet, or is it the nervous energy?"

"The nervous energy!" the students called out in unison.

Alyssa Labrecque admitted to Officer Valente that she was so nervous her hands were shaking.

"You'll be fine," he said, convincing Labrecque.

"You'll be fine," he repeated, possibly convincing himself.

Cosmetology student Anna Kate Greene offered Labrecque some advice: "Just think about shaving your legs."

Vocational Coordinator Jackie Machamer said she supports the officer-student partnership.

"I just think it's a really great opportunity for the kids to demonstrate their skills and support the officers in No Shave November," said Machamer. "The officers work so closely with us on so many things."

As the officers one by one were through with their shaves, a few grabbed a cup of coffee and stood together and reminisced over the past four weeks.

"I feel almost ... I feel, I don't know..." said Officer Malo running his hand across his now smooth chin. "I miss it. I'm gonna be so cold now."

Now Nordahl was done, and getting up out of the salon chair still eyeing the mirror, "I don't like myself now," he joked.

Valente was the last one still reclined in his chair. There may have been a couple of small nicks toward the end requiring a couple of pieces of gauze and a few more minutes in the chair.

"It's already starting to grow back," Crook heckled Valente.

One officer suggested that when Police Chief Paul Magee retires next year that he leave the officers with one parting gift – allowing facial hair on the force.

The officers joked about extending the No Shave November concept into other months, such as "Furry February," "Mustache March," and "Stubble September."

Malo stated that he himself would pay the \$100 donation a month to keep his stubble intact.

"I would pay the \$1,200 a year to not have to shave," said Malo.

The Rochester Police Department raised just over \$1,000 this year for the veterans' charity.

Confessions of a Comma Queen and Other Truths

By Marilou Newell

Before I begin to share with you, dear readers, a taste of what it was like to laugh out loud as author Mary

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Norris spoke cheerfully and with candor on December 1 at the Mattapoisett Public Library about her highly celebrated book *Between You & Me: Confessions of a Comma Queen*, I offer my confession – I was terrified to write this story.

Norris, a grammarian of the first order, was charming in her delivery of all things written and spoken in the English language. But there I sat thinking, "I am out of my depth here."

By this morning with a moderately rested brain and a desire to get this assignment done while Norris' comments were still fresh in my mind, I realized something profound – well, profound for me at any rate: copy editing is not my job.

My job is to write the story to the best of my ability, writing something that is worthy (I hope) of a reader's time. The job of ensuring that my writing is grammatically correct, free of spelling errors yet possessing my 'style' is, after all, someone else's problem.

Thus, I give you my guilt-free take on spending



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an hour laughing and learning in the presence of one very funny and intelligent woman.

Norris spent decades (1978-2017) reading other authors' writings for *The New Yorker* as a copy editor. Her dream, however, was to be the writer, not the copy editor.

So when she was asked to write a rebuttal piece to an article that had appeared in *The New York Times* online blog authored by Ben Yagoda, a piece that was discussing the then recently published best selling book by Lynne Truss, *Eats, Shoots & Leaves*, Norris laid down her No. 1 extra soft Ticonderoga pencil and got to work.

Before sharing snippets of her years wielding her pencils or studying the punctuation heavy works of Melville and Dickens, she asked the audience to write down a sentence:

"Outside a cemetery in Mattapoisett sat a harassed cobbler and embarrassed peddler gnawing on a desiccated potato and gazing on the symmetry of a lady's ankle in unparalleled ecstasy."

Although the group was not tasked with writing

the sentence using correct punctuation but instead to test spelling skills, Norris' engaging manner and wit eased their confusion. Even those gifted with excellent vocabulary skills can get hung up on a word like 'desiccated'.

Norris' book, first published in 2015 and now out in paperback, shares with the reader her love of the English language. Clearly she enjoys speaking and



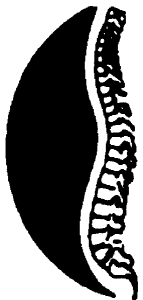
writing with a discipline honed from many years of correcting other people's stuff. Yet she comes across as kind, and appreciates that writers have 'styles' and that, at times, rules must be broken in order to convey a thought or emotion that mere punctuation might otherwise ruin.

Norris is clever, quick with a turn of phrase, and possesses a funny

bone that was delightfully on display.

For instance, most are aware that the Greeks and the Romans had debated for centuries which came first – the Greeks' impact on everything from language, architecture, and food, or, the Italians, I mean Romans. As it turns out, Norris said, the word "comma" comes from the Greeks, but it was made so much better by Italian Aldus Manutius in the late 1400s. Manutius, by the by, is also credited with inventing italics and semicolons, but that's a story for another day.

Norris also shared from her book the following: "Commas are like nuns. They travel in pairs." Or this dash of comedic insight, "I feel my hackles rise, however, when I hear people refer to the serial comma as the Oxford comma, why does Oxford get all the credit? ... Why not the Harvard comma, or the Rutgers comma, or the Cornhusker comma? ... The public relations department at Oxford doesn't use it."



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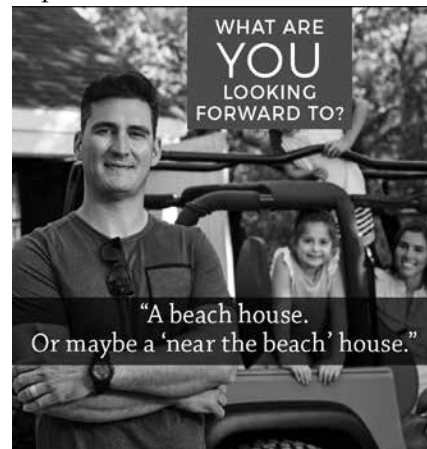
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Norris' book is 200 pages of information beneficial to nearly anyone such as U.S. presidents, parents, teachers, students and, oh yes, writers from every genre. The material is presented in a manner that is not off-putting, even for those for whom the word 'whom' has never been used.

Norris' appearance is part of the Purrington Lecture Series presented by the Mattapoissett Library Trust, a nonprofit organization that supports the Mattapoissett Free Public Library throughout the year by providing programs and other funds for needed equipment and furnishings.

Nighelli Promoted to Lieutenant

Marion Board of Selectmen

By Jean Perry

Before getting down to the real agenda for the evening, the Town of Marion holiday party, the Marion Board of Selectmen on December 4 approved retiring Police Chief Lincoln Miller's recommendation to promote Sergeant Richard Nighelli to the rank of lieutenant.

"As the board is well aware," Miller wrote in a memo dated November 30 to the Board of Selectmen, "Sergeant Nighelli has the qualifications for this position and will provide the new chief with strong leadership as his second-in-command."

Nighelli has been a full-time police officer since



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2001 and joined the Marion Police Department in 2003. Subsequently, he was promoted to sergeant in 2007, and since then he has been involved in the regional tactical team serving in a leadership role in that unit.

Lieutenant John Garcia, police chief designee, requested that the appointment be made in time for the change in command of the department.

Nighelli's promotion will be effective January 1, 2018.

Also during the meeting, the board approved St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church's request to tie in to the municipal stormwater collection system.

The matter was on hold from last week's Board of Selectmen meeting in order to gather further information on details of the church's tie-in plan.

Selectmen Chairman Jody Dickerson said that he and Town Administrator Paul Dawson met earlier with the church's representative Brad Morse, who said that only the downspouts would tie in to the system, alleviating any concerns held over from the last meeting.

In other business, the board approved the 2018 licenses for all annual local licenses in town including liquor licenses, common victualler licenses, car dealerships, etc.

The next meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen is scheduled for **December 19** at 7:00 pm at the Marion Town House.

With Tax Bill Delay, Town Must Borrow

Rochester Board of Selectmen

By Jean Perry

It was a short meeting, but an important one nonetheless, for the Rochester Board of Selectmen on December 4.

The selectmen held an early meeting before the annual holiday tree lighting ceremony to sign a Revenue Anticipation Note (RAN) in anticipation of some short-term borrowing to tide the Town over until tax bills go out and taxes ultimately collected.

This year was the year the Town re-evaluated



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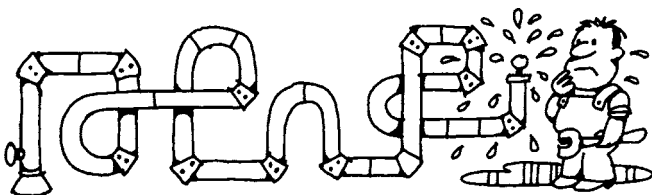
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property assessments, so holding a tax classification hearing has been somewhat delayed. And according to Town Administrator Suzanne Szyndlar, the new tax rate must be certified before tax bills can be issued.

Szyndlar stated that tax bills should be mailed out to residences and businesses closer to the end of December.

Chairman Brad Morse and Selectman Greenwood Hartley both approved the RAN, but in the absence of Selectman Naida Parker, who is also the town clerk, the RAN could not be signed. Szyndlar said the RAN must be signed by the selectmen in the presence of the town clerk.

In other business, Szyndlar said budget season has officially begun, and she has sent out letters to department heads regarding fiscal year 2019.

The next meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen is scheduled for **December 11** at 7:00 pm at the Rochester Town Hall.

Pennies Add Up to Savings

Mattapoisett Board of Assessors and Board of Selectmen

By Marilou Newell

In the parlance of assessors, or at least Mattapoisett's Principal Assessor Kathleen Costello, "It's all about the levy."

Costello was talking about the property tax levy, or rate, for fiscal 2018. The news was scheduled to have been "a modest increase."

But after some pencil sharpening with the Accountant's Office after the November 29 meeting with the Board of Selectmen, the tax rate is actually going down by five cents per \$1,000 in property value.

For their part, the selectmen voted to maintain a single tax rate for all properties in town.

Costello reported that even if the selectmen chose to split the tax rate, with less than 7% of the total tax burden going to commercial, industrial, and personal property classifications, residential tax bills would only see "negligible decreases."

"We've seen nice speedy growth with values going up four percent," Costello told the selectmen. She

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said that, based on sales, most neighbors continue to experience smooth growth without big bumps.

However, when it comes to commercial properties, Mattapoisett simply doesn't have enough to support splitting the tax rate, Costello confirmed.

"If the sewer goes into the industrial park, that will help," she speculated. Costello also said that the solar projects in town have been good, adding, "The PILOT (payment in lieu of taxes) programs help us tremendously and pay substantial tax dollars without pulling from services."

In her prepared report to the selectmen, Costello said that real and personal property assessed values in fiscal year 2018 were \$1,718,100,891, an increase of 3.95% over FY2017.

The average family home assessed value for FY18 was pegged at \$484,640.

Further into the report, Costello wrote that the total revenue to be raised by both tax and non-tax sources for FY18 is \$33,124,383. She reported that this is a 4.5% increase from FY17 based on 636 units of real property and 743 units of personal property.

Costello reported in a memorandum that the assessed value of the new construction and personal property new growth that took place during the 12-month period from December 31, 2015 to December 31, 2016 is \$1,917,960, translating into \$205,577 of increased tax levy capacity over the basic limits of Proposition 2½ and is 17.95% over last year.

The single tax rate for FY18 is set at \$13.02, or five cents lower than FY17.

Accessory Apartment Pending

Marion Zoning Board of Appeals

By Jean Perry

Alice and Brad Sheehan of 16 Inland Road are hoping to make some minor renovations to their cement block garage to provide an accessory apartment space for family visits and subsequent rental, but Marion bylaws may not provide that request so easily – documentation

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that an accessory apartment has been rented in the past before 2005 is required.

Right away via memorandum, Building Commissioner Scott Shippey recommended continuing the hearing because the application lacked an elevation plan and other information. Furthermore, the applicants must demonstrate that the structure – a cement garage – has a history of accessory apartment rental use.

Acting Chairman Michelle Smith read a letter by the Planning Board, which stated that it could not make a recommendation because the application was incomplete.

Alice Sheehan said the couple purchased the two-bedroom house about a year ago with the intention of working on the accessory apartment for family visits and future rent. Now with a baby due in January and only two bedrooms, the Sheehans are running out of space.

The Sheehans have solicited the services of an attorney, and Ms. Sheehan said she just wants to do whatever is required to acquire the Special Permit.

Neighbor Al Caron who has lived next door for 40 years said, "Every person who's had that house has lived in that apartment above."

The original builder's son occupied the garage apartment, and Caron said that although he is unsure as to whether or not the apartment was ever 'rented,' he vouched for the prior accessory apartment use.

"Mostly it's family as far as I know, not a rental," said Caron, adding, "I totally support what the Sheehans are doing with this property. It's in the back... Any renovation is going to improve that lot and improve that building."

The bottom line, though, is whether the accessory apartment existed as a rental before 2005.

From what she could tell, said Ms. Sheehan, the structure was built in 1995.

"But it's not the building that's the concern, it's the use," said ZBA member Tad Wollenhaupt. "That's all that matters to us when we look at an accessory apartment."

Wollenhaupt added, "You're not asking to modify



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the structure... You guys are asking about use. That's the key."

The use of the structure as an apartment rental has to be proven, not the actual structure itself, the board clarified.

"If we give permission for an accessory apartment, it has to be recorded in the deeds, so you might check your deeds," said ZBA member Betsy Dunn.

Wollenhaupt added, "You might not be zoned for multi-family or rental property."

"When a permit is granted for an accessory apartment ... it's recorded on the deed and it's not when the property is sold," said Dunn. "That doesn't mean the

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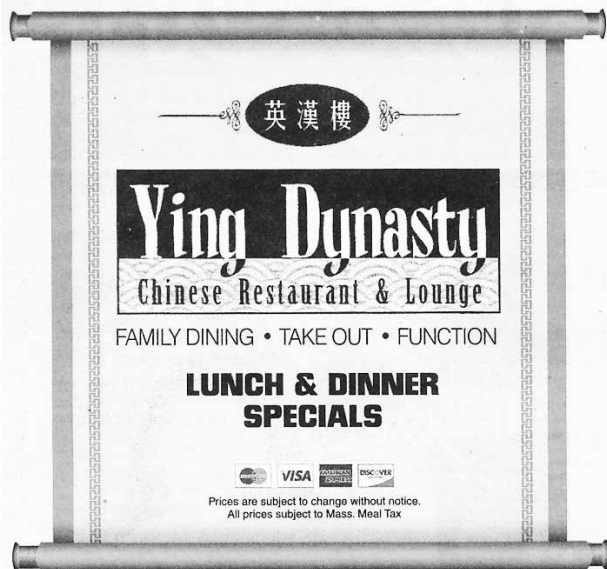
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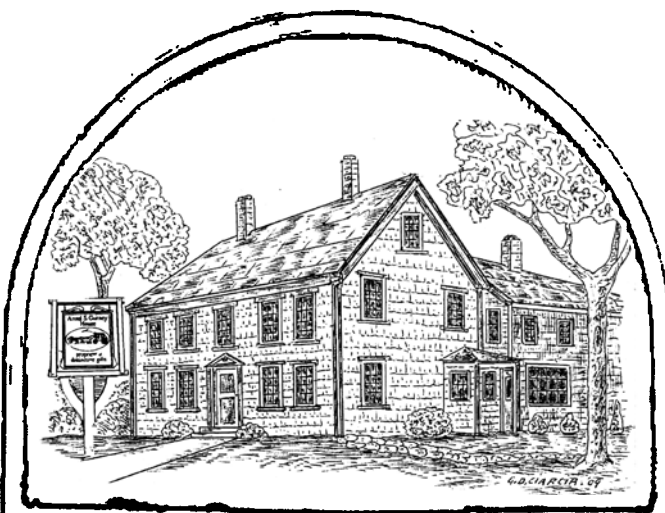
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accessory apartment can be used before going before the ZBA again." Dunn continued, "It sounds like he built it for his son."

The apartment currently has heat, a bathroom, and a sink, said Ms. Sheehan, but no kitchen appliances.

Another issue that arose was an existing cesspool in back yard, and it is unknown whether it is still in use by the apartment. Although the Board of Health found no opposition to the accessory apartment use, the board wondered if it was aware that a cesspool existed on the property.

Cesspools are no longer allowable in Marion.

"We're not here to hinder. We're here to help you," said Wollenhaupt.

At that, the board clarified what it needed from the Sheehans pertaining to further information, and the hearing was continued until January 11.

The next meeting of the Marion Zoning Board of Appeals is scheduled for **December 14** at 7:30 pm at the Marion Town House.

Wareham Street Redevelopment Receives Waivers

Marion Planning Board

By Sarah French Storer

It was a full agenda at the Marion Planning Board's meeting on December 4. The evening was dominated by a lengthy discussion regarding the redevelopment plan for 111 Wareham Street.

The continued public hearing for the Site Plan review of the proposal for 111 Wareham Street centered on the peer review letter submitted by Tibbetts Engineering, the Planning Board's consulting engineer firm for the project.

Representing the applicants was David Davignon of N. Douglas Schneider & Associates, who meticulously addressed each of the substantive points raised by Tibbetts. The discussion by the board revolved around two key points: traffic and Marvel Street. Davignon presented a letter in support of his waiver request

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regarding a traffic study.

The letter from retiring Marion Police Chief Lincoln Miller and the new police chief Lieutenant John Garcia stated that there were no safety concerns regarding the entrance to the project.

Planning Board Chairperson Eileen Marum enumerated her serious concerns, citing a SRPEDD traffic study that described the Point Road and Route 6 intersection as dangerous. Davignon took issue with the relevance of the study, stating that the intersection was 500 feet from his client's parcel.

"Tibbetts states that this proposal is a low generator of traffic – it's not retail," said Davignon.

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He also reminded the board that the Marion Police Department provided him with a report of the Hill Street intersection, which is considerably closer to the project, which showed three accidents in the past six years – one of which was weather related.

Marum stated she felt a traffic study was warranted for this project, which prompted Davignon to ask for a consensus of the board. While board member Chris Collings, who lives near the project, agreed that there are concerns about speed and traffic on Route 6 in that area, he was skeptical that the issue was part of the Planning Board's responsibility.

"It is not in our wheelhouse," said Collings. "The people we rely on (the police chiefs) are not worried." Collings suggested to Marum that the board provide the police with the SRPEDD report.

Other board members agreed with Stephen Kokkins' suggestion that signage be placed on Route 6 warning motorists of trucks entering and exiting the site. The board granted the traffic study waiver, with board member Andrew Daniel confirming the signage requirement will be a condition in the final permit, pending approval of signage on a state highway by MassDOT. Marum was the one vote in opposition to the waiver.

Members of the Planning Board had met with Davignon and Fire Chief Brian Jackvony to discuss the

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improvement of Marvel Street, which runs the length of the southwest property line and was to provide a secondary emergency egress for the site.

As was indicated at the previous Planning Board meeting, the street is cleared to just over 9 feet wide, and the proponents were suggesting that they clear and regrade the road as part of their permit.

The fire chief stated that he could not approve the project unless Marvel Street was improved to 20 feet wide and to the town's specifications to support fire apparatus. Davignon acceded that his client was willing to improve the street to 18 feet wide, but that any greater width would require easements from abutting property owners.

Daniel, who had attended the meeting with the fire chief, noted that he and Building Commissioner Scott Shippey had discovered that Marvel Street is privately owned. As questions were raised as to the legal rights to the street, Collings observed, "Sounds like we are out of our wheelhouse. There is a difference between owners improving a right of way and the Planning Board mandating it."

Davignon cut the discussion short by stating that he would simply remove the second entrance to the site, and put the matter to rest. Despite having a private well on the site, town policy requires that the property tie in to the municipal water supply. The well may still be used for irrigation.



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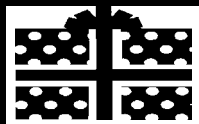
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Concerns about the significant discrepancy between the setbacks at the site and what was required by Marion bylaws triggered a request at the previous meeting for Davignon to compare the setback waivers that had been granted by the board to the three most recent approved projects. While Tibbetts in its review of the project had no concerns about the setbacks on the site, Davignon requested that he review his document nonetheless.

In describing the previous three waiver requests granted by the board, which were similar in nature to the waiver request he was making, Davignon illustrated his concern about what he sees as unreasonable setbacks for commercial development. He urged the board to review their setback requirements for commercial sites.

Board member Will Saltonstall felt that Davignon had made a compelling argument for a setback waiver and for review of setback requirements, asking rhetorically, "[What's] the level of density on this site? [Does] the level of development impact the neighbors?"

The applicant is required to also go before the Board of Health for the setback waiver.

It was determined that the detail in the landscape plan was adequate so that a waiver could be granted for the requirement of a stamped plan by a landscape architect.

In other business, Marion Public Health Nurse Kathy Downey, Planning Board member Jennifer Francis, and Town Planner Gil Hilario gave updates to the Complete Streets program.

Downey began the presentation by specifying the impact the program would have on public health. She noted that small modifications to the town's layout could provide considerable benefits to the town's most vulnerable populations, who she described as the youth, the elderly, and those without access to transportation. Minor changes could provide opportunities for exercise, stress reduction, and access to food and medicine.

For the youth of the community, she said, "The layout of the town is an impediment... Short cul-de-sacs



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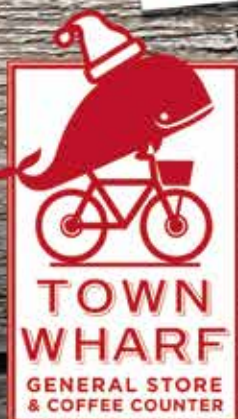


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that end at busy roads are obstacles to exercise due to safety concerns."

Downey urged the town to connect cul-de-sacs to bike and pedestrian paths.

For the elderly, who often struggle to maintain their independence, research has shown that the addition of street lights and reflective lines on roads make it easier for this population to continue to drive themselves. Downey observed that the Council on Aging provides transportation for the elderly, and that perhaps there was a way to expand that service to those of any age lacking their own transportation.

Some on the board expressed concern about the slow progress of the bike path coming to Marion, to which Downey replied, "[It] might not be right around the corner - that is the gold standard, but maybe there is something we can do less than the gold standard in the meantime to connect the cul-de-sacs?"

Daniel raised the issue of the ADA standards, expressing frustration with a lack of awareness of disabled members of the community, saying, "The cost outweighs the moral responsibility," and he urged the other board members to keep the ADA requirements in mind as the planning process moves forward.

Francis weighed in on the Complete Streets program through her update on the Transportation and Circulation Task Force, informing the board that the committee is finalizing the Complete Streets Policy document that is required by the State as part of the application process.

The board will review the document at its next meeting.

The committee will be compiling a list of 15 priority items for possible funding through the program and is looking for public input. Hilario said that he receives a lot of feedback from town residents seeking more transportation options. In support of the Complete Streets program, he said, "Design truly influences human interaction and behavior."

The board will convene a Master Plan



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Implementation Committee to direct the next phase of the plan. In addition to members of town boards, they will be looking for the involvement of town residents.

The next meeting of the Marion Planning Board is scheduled for **December 18** at 7:00 pm at the Marion Town House.

Members Discuss List of Wetlands Violations

Marion Conservation Commission

By Jean Perry

Kicking off the long-ish list of wetlands violations in town up for discussion, the Marion Conservation Commission on November 29 voted in favor of issuing an Enforcement Order to Ann Severance of 20 Front Street after the commission members during a recent site visit noted "numerous egregious wetland violations," as commission member Shaun Walsh stated.

Walsh ran down the history of the property, which began with a Notice of Intent (NOI) filed by the property owner back in 2001. After numerous public hearings, the NOI received an Order of Conditions (OOC) in 2002 from the commission, which abutters ultimately appealed to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. The DEP then issued a superseding Order of Conditions in the summer of 2003, which abutters again appealed but then withdrew.

Walsh also pointed out that the NOI covered not



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only 20 Front Street but also three other lots as well, with most of that NOI having to do with establishing a walking path to an existing tennis court.

Walsh said the OOC “required some pretty extensive wetlands replication [and] restoration management work,” with some minor alterations of wetlands at the site associated with the establishment of the walking path.

Walsh recommended issuing an Enforcement Order, of which he presented a draft to the commission.

The Enforcement Order addresses a list of conditions that were violated that resulted in unpermitted activities, and Severance is ordered to hire a wetlands scientist and file a Restoration Plan with the commission no later than December 27. Re-vegetation is ordered to begin no earlier than April 15, 2018, after the frost, and be completed no later than June 1, 2018.

“This is not appealable to the DEP,” added Walsh. “They’d have to appeal it to the Superior Court.”

Another possible wetlands violation was reported on what was initially described as some tree clearing off Jenney Lane at The Cove, next to the turtle garden (habitat restoration) that the Town allowed on Town-owned land at the site.

The landscaper hired to cut back the open meadow there, however, allegedly over-cut grassy areas and brush where the permit did not allow clearing.

“My opinion is there is nothing we can do about this at this point,” said commission member Jeffrey Doubraava.

The Cove’s permit is up for renewal in 2018. This cutting is something that should be considered, said Doubraava.

Walsh said the area to be cut is clearly marked, so whoever hires the landscaper and oversees the activity is responsible for communicating where cutting is allowed.

“This has always been an issue as to where they cut and where they don’t,” said ConCom Chairman Cynthia Callow. “They always do not do it correctly, but I don’t know if it is their fault.”

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Continuing with possible wetlands violations, the commission turned its attention to the very end of Converse Point where wetlands may (or may not) have been filled.

Callow said, not knowing whether the 'fill' was caused by "human hands or nature's hands," according to a prior OOC issued, erosion control measures should be present, which are not.

"It looks disturbed," said Doubrava, "I don't know if it's been filled." He mentioned there was a post on Facebook about the matter, alleging that someone had been "filling in skating pond."

The commission already issued a letter and scheduled a site visit for early next month.

Rounding out the violation list, someone has been allegedly dumping cobblestone to shore up a seawall at 98 Moorings Road. The commission is investigating the allegation.

Also during the meeting, the commission heard from two applicants – Dale Jones and Tad Magauran – for one associate conservation commission position. Saying that they liked both applicants and that both were suitable, the commission members decided to submit a letter to the Board of Selectmen making no recommendation of either applicant, leaving it entirely up to the selectmen.

"I personally cannot pick right now," said Callow.

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Under discussion, Tabor Academy reports a number of sinkholes by a seawall at the campus. The commission advised that Tabor solicit the expertise of an engineer and that any work to occur in that area would require a filing with the commission.

In other matters, the commission granted a Positive Determination for Stephen and Jane McCarthy's Determination of Applicability for 43 Dexter Road. The public hearing had been continued from November 8. The Positive Determination means a Notice of Intent would be required before any future work could be done.

The public hearing for a RDA for Great Hill for vista pruning was again continued until December 13.

The next meeting of the Marion Conservation Commission is scheduled for **December 13** at 7:00 pm at the Marion Town House.

Sippican Shines in MCAS 2.0

Marion School Committee

By Jean Perry

Sippican School Principal Lyn Rivet is proud of Sippican School students' performance on the new MCAS 2.0 results from last year, and Rivet reviewed the data with the equally proud Marion School Committee on November 29.

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test, Sippican School was already ahead of the state average.

"That's a big point of proud," said Rivet right off the bat.

Grade 5 science results showed that students scored above state average in both the proficient and advanced categories, resulting from the school's focus on science advancement, Rivet said.

The school will advance further this year with the use of an enrichment teacher and cross-curriculum opportunities to stretch innovation and increase STEM/STEAM hands-on opportunities to propel achievement, guided by an emphasis on computer science

In Grades 3 through 6 English Language Arts, Rivet reported that the school as a whole performed very well compared to the state in meeting the expectations and exceeding the expectations in ELA.

A point of pride, Rivet said, was the school's average score of 504.9 in this area, which is above the 500 point threshold of the state test.

Grades 3, 4, and 6 exceeded a 60% student growth level in ELA, and Grade 5 was just at that percentile.

The entire school in ELA exceeded the state across all standards, Rivet added, with Grades 4 and 5 exceeding the state in reading anchor studies.

In math, Grades 3 through 6, "Our students again," Rivet said, "Very, very strong again..."

Points of pride: all grades scored an average of over 500 points, with 60% of the school either meeting or exceeding expectations.

"Students across all grade levels exceeded the state across nearly all standards," said Rivet, "In many cases greater by ten points."

Student growth in Grades 5 and 6 exceeded 60% or higher.

Rivet said the school administration would continue to analyze data and apply it to instruction and the school's response to intervention, and also consider future professional development to keep teacher training in these areas fresh.

"I definitely think it's a point of pride having looked at many sets of MCAS data that Sippican overall is above the state average on this new state test because it definitely is measuring a different skill set than what the old MCAS had done," said School Committee Chairman Christine Marcolini. "As usual, you guys are already completely on top of the data."

Rivet added that in ELA, 31 students scored just ten points shy of meeting expectations, and in math, 21 students scored ten points or less from meeting expectations.

Superintendent Doug White commented that student growth reflected in the 60% range should be recognized, saying, "[Student growth] is even more important than a test score," adding that it means students are learning more and growing individually.

"Great job," said committee member Michelle Smith. "You should be commended. Congratulations."

The next meeting of the Marion School Committee is scheduled for **January 10** at 6:30 pm at the Sippican School community room.

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By Jo Caynon

Second quarter is a busy period in the Old Rochester Regional High School Social Studies Department.

Several weeks ago, students in teacher Seth Bushnell's sections of U.S. History II took a field trip to the Edward Kennedy Institute for the U.S. Senate in Boston.

Opened to the public at the end of March 2015, the institute aims to introduce students to the roles the Senate plays in the government, as well as explore and encourage participation in democracy.

"As a social studies teacher, one of our responsibilities is to teach civics and ensure that students become active and knowledgeable citizens in a democracy," said Bushnell. "The Kennedy Institute provides a tremendous opportunity for students to learn about their government hands on."

This year, the students who went to the Kennedy Institute visited several exhibits, including visiting Senator Edward Kennedy's office, and participated in a mock legislative session.

"We took a tour and did a mock debate based on an actual issue currently in Congress," said junior Genevieve Grignetti. "We also tried passing a bill. It was fun. Once one person spoke, everyone else jumped in."

"We saw what the Senator's Office looked like and we did interactive games," junior Mikayla Chandler added. "I learned about the many different viewpoints of the Senate, but most of it was a review of what I already

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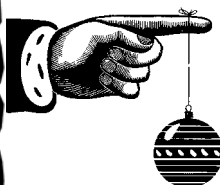


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Students in the U.S. History II classes are now beginning the several-week-long journey that is their annual research paper. For some juniors, this will be their last one in their high school career.

"The research paper is the biggest skill building tool we have, and it is an important preparation for college," Bushnell commented.

Librarian Allison Barker took the time in the classes to introduce the plethora of resources she assembled on the school's library site to aid them in their choosing of topics and search for reliable sources. This included having every student sign up for a Boston Public Library e-card, which allows students to access more information that was previously unavailable.

Bushnell and Barker went around answering questions and further explaining specific research options, including the difference between primary and secondary sources and that changing a thesis multiple times was natural during the drafting process.

The trip was made possible through a grant from the Lighthouse Fund, which is run by the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts. The Lighthouse Fund has provided annual grants to "enrich the educational experience of students in Marion, Mattapoisett, and Rochester public schools" for the past ten years, according to their website.

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ORR Boys' Basketball Adapts With Personnel Shift

High School Sports Update

By Nick Friar

The longest high school season of the year is finally here, which means there's regular season basketball and hockey until the final days of February, maybe even followed by a postseason run.

But for some, there's still a feeling out process. Take Old Rochester boys' basketball for example. They finished 17-5 last year after losing to Apponequet in the Quarter Finals of the Division 3 South Sectional Tournament, one year after winning the Division 3 State Tournament.

Co-captain **Jason Gamache** is still left over from that State Champion team, but it's impossible to deny that this team has a different look from Old Rochester teams of recent memory. In fact, there are only two returning starters from last year's team alone, **Bennett Fox** in addition to Gamache. So they'll be expected to carry the load, particularly to start the year.

"A lot's going to go through them, but they're also going to get a ton of attention," Old Rochester coach Steve Carvalho said of his captains. "Jason should be a top player in the league and Bennett's doing a lot of good things, too."

Carvalho also expects to rely on **Cole McIntyre**, who split time between JV and varsity last year. But he still has to make up for the offensive hole **Matt Valles** left when he graduated in the spring.

"Right now we are, I don't want to say unproven, but we're certainly inexperienced in the post," Carvalho said. "I don't have experienced kids who've played at the varsity level. I think they might get there though."

That being said, that'll force the Bulldogs to rely on their transition game – which has been their identity in years past – but by choice, not necessity. Still, it's a formula Carvalho is comfortable with.

"We're always defensive-minded," Carvalho said. "I like tempo, I like to get up and down the court,

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pressure, trap and that kind of thing. But it's probably going to be even more of that. We're going to play baseline to baseline, get energy off our defense. Create some turnovers and some havoc. Wearing teams down, which I've always wanted to do."

Carvalho continued, "Yeah, we may need to run and gun a little. Everyone has to depend on their half court discipline. I've always been a transition guy first. I do think our identity comes off defensive pressure, points off turnover, wearing teams down, giving teams look defensively, and then figuring out the offense as we kind of go along. I don't know how much of a set play team we are. We all have plenty of plays, but we'll see."

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One player Carvalho is missing from the 2016-2017 campaign is his big man, Matt Valles, who's now playing college basketball at Gordon College. The 5-foot-6 Mattapoisett native is off to a strong start to his freshman campaign, even though the Fighting Scots (1-3) have lost three straight. Valles has appeared in each game, almost averaging 19 minutes a game. The big man is scoring 8.3 points per game, including 10 against the University of New England (11/29) and, most recently, 11 against Nichols College (12/2).

Old Colony

Meanwhile, Old Colony is preparing for its 2017-2018 boys' basketball season without **Paul Soucy**, who just finished his first soccer season at Westfield State. As a freshman, Soucy appeared in 18 games, starting in the last eight he played in. He scored two goals and had two assists, finishing the year with six points for the Owls.

Tabor Academy

Tabor's boys' squash team is off to a 2-1 start, led by **Aly Hussein**, who has yet to lose a set, sweeping all three of his matches so far, 3-0.

Boys' basketball improved to 2-0 on the year after taking down Marianapolis Preparatory School 76-68 on Sunday, and will visit Thayer Academy on Wednesday at 4:30 pm.

The Seawolves' girls' hockey team is off to a 1-0 start following a 4-1 win over Cushing Academy. **Ashley Clark** had a hat trick in the win with **Marissa Fitzgerald** scoring Tabor's final goal.

On the college front, Tabor's **Akim Sanni** (2017) is seeing some time early for Brandeis University's men's basketball team, seeing 12.8 minutes per game. He's shooting 50 percent from the floor, scoring 3.7 points per game.

On the hockey front, **Caroline Shaunessy** (2015) has two goals and two assists, appearing in eight games for Dartmouth College women's ice hockey.

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Holiday in the Park and Town Holiday Stroll

The Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen wishes to extend an invitation to all town residents to attend their Twelfth Annual "Holiday in the Park and Town Holiday Stroll." The actual Tree Lighting takes place on Saturday, **December 9** from 3:00 to 5:00 pm at Shipyard Park.

Please come and bring your families to join in on all the festivities. This event is free of cost thanks to our most generous Town food establishments. Santa and Mrs. Claus and all their friends will be arriving by Fire Engine at dusk along with the lighting of the tree. There will be lots of ornament making and face painting for the children along with a petting zoo.

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"Happy holidays to all" and we hope to see you on December 9.

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It's a Wonderful Life

The Marion Art Center's production of *It's a Wonderful Life*, a radio drama adapted for the stage by Tony Palermo, will run next weekend with two evening performances and one matinee as follows: Friday, **December 8** at 7:30 pm; Saturday, **December 9** at 7:30 pm; and Sunday, **December 10** at 1:00 pm. Director Kate Fishman, partnered with Steve McManus as Technical Director, will lead this two-act play that tells the beloved story of Clarence, an angel, sent from Heaven to help George Bailey, a desperate man, realize what life would have been like had he never existed. Several local actors – some of whom have been seen on the Marion Art Center's stage before – will be featured in this production, assuming multiple characters and also assisting with sound and special effects.

The cast of players includes Camerin Bennett, Jack Boesen, Eden Dupre, Molly Dupre, Jeff Hallahan, John Heavey, Suzie Kokkins, Jack LeBrun, Dottie McCarthy, Zoe Pateakos, Henry Richins, Susan Salvesson, Mindy Wallis, and Davis Webb.

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The concert is a wonderful family experience designed for all ages and is free of charge.

The Tri-County Symphonic Band will perform seasonal favorites including "Bells," "A Christmas Festival," "An American Christmas," "Three Moods of Hanukkah," and "A Charlie Brown Christmas."

A special part of this year's concert will feature the Sippican School Concert Choir, under the direction of Patricia Richard, performing a lovely setting of "Jingle Bell Rock," "The Little Drummer Boy," and a colorful arrangement of "Feliz Navidad."

Also, the youngsters in the audience will enter a drawing with the winners playing the sleigh bells with the Tri-County Symphonic Band in its rendition of Leroy Anderson's "Sleigh Ride."

The concert will conclude with a "Christmas Sing-a-long" featuring the Sippican School Concert Choir and special guests, followed by a volunteer community band called the "Cottage Street Jam Band," under the direction of Hannah Moore, leading a march from the Sippican School to Island Wharf to greet Santa as he arrives via "water sleigh."

Public Skating at Tabor Academy

Marion Recreation will begin its popular public skating program that begins Sunday, **December 10** from 12:00 to 2:00 pm and runs through Sunday, February 25, 2018 at the Travis Roy Rink at Tabor Academy. This is an opportunity for you to skate the ice in an open skate format in a beautiful venue. Cost is \$5 per person. Hats, gloves, and ice skates are required to skate. For details, visit www.marionrecreation.com, call Marion Recreation Department at 774-217-8355, or email info@marionrecreation.com.

Great Decisions Program

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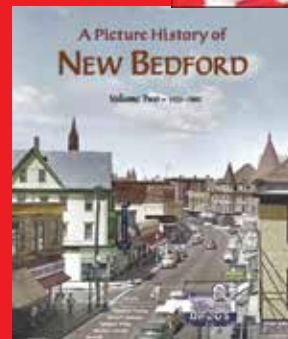
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5. Turkey: A Partner in Crisis
6. U.S. Global Engagement and the Military
7. South Africa's Fragile Democracy
8. Global Health Progress & Challenges

The discussion program begins on Wednesday, **January 17**, and continues for eight consecutive weeks until March 7, from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. The group meets at the Mattapoisett Library, 7 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett, in the community meeting room, which is accessible at the side entrance where there is an elevator.

The price for a single person is \$35; if two people are sharing one text, the price is \$45. This fee includes the cost of the textbook, one two-part classroom DVD, materials, money for refreshments, and a donation to the library.

The deadline for registration is December 29. The class is limited to 25 people and operates on a first-come, first-serve basis. The textbooks will be available on or around January 10, 2018 for distribution at the library. Times will be posted.

Along with your name, address and telephone number, please send check payable to Mattapoisett Woman's Club and indicate Great Decisions, P.O. Box 1444, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

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to play smaller games with adaptive nets. The program runs Saturdays, beginning January 6 and running through February 10, and is designed for beginner players or players in grades K-Grade 2. Classes take place at Sippican School Gymnasium. Cost for participants is \$75 for instructional weeks and includes a participant T-shirt. You may register online at www.marionrecreation.com or by mailing in a paper registration form to Marion Recreation, 465 Mill Street, Marion, MA 02738. You do not need to live in Marion to attend this clinic. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Marion Recreation at 774-217-8355 or info@marionrecreation.com.

Marion Republican Town Committee

The Marion Republican Town Committee will conduct its next monthly meeting on Monday, **December 11** at 7:00 pm at the Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street, Marion. The public and new members welcome.

Mattapoisett COA Happenings

Everyone is welcome to participate in activities and services at the Mattapoisett Council on Aging, 17 Barstow Street. Most activities are "drop in." The COA newsletter, with special event listings, is available online at www.mattapoisett.net/council-aging. For any questions and/or to register for trips and special events, call 508-758-4110 or email to: coadirector@mattapoisett.net.



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Tuesdays: 8:30 am - Yoga (free, at Congregational Church Hall); 12:00 pm - Movie & Pizza (last Tuesday of month); 12:30 pm - Art History (every other month, call for details); 1:00 pm - Water Color Painting; 4:00 pm - Chess Club lessons (beginners welcome); Legal Services (15 minutes free, by appointment)

Wednesdays: 9:15 am - Patriot Place & Trader Joe's (every 2nd Wednesday of the month); 9:30 am - Dance Fit (free); 10:45 am - Meditation (donation); 12:00 pm - Strength & Balance (free); 1:00 pm - Bingo (\$1 per card); 1:15 pm - Mah Jong (free)

Thursdays: 9:30 am - Pottery / Hand Clay (every other Thursday, call to register, \$10 includes material & finished product); various trips (call the COA for details)

Fridays: 8:15 am - Yo-lates (Yoga + Pilates, free); 9:30 am - Market Basket van (every first Friday); 9:30 am - Shaw's Wareham (every 3rd Friday); 10:00 am - QiGong Prescription (\$10); 11:15 am - Chair Yoga (\$4); 1:00 pm - Line Dancing (free/ donations accepted).

Open Table

You are invited for supper on Friday, **December**

15 at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. Guest chefs, Ken & Liz Ackerman of the Oxford Creamery, are preparing the entrée, which will undoubtedly be delicious and we hope you can join us. There is no charge, although donations are gratefully accepted. Doors open at 4:30 pm and the meal will be served at 5:00 pm. This is a community event and everyone from the Tri-Town area is welcome.

MLT Welcomes Logan Johnson

Logan Johnson, an AmeriCorps service member, will work part-time with the Mattapoisett Land Trust (MLT) over the next six months to make contact with neighbors of MLT properties in order to introduce the land trust and explore any problems or concerns caused by proximity to MLT preserves. Logan hails from rural Maine and is a 2017 graduate of the University of Maine, with a degree in Biology and minor in Anthropology. Previous work experience includes time as an environmental affairs intern with a pulp mill and as a conservation intern with the Downeast Lakes Land Trust in Grand Lake Stream, Maine. When not working with MLT, Logan will undertake a variety of land stewardship projects with the Buzzards Bay Coalition.

Please join us in welcoming Logan, and if you are an MLT neighbor don't be surprised to see Logan knocking on your door over the coming months. For more information, please email info@mattlandtrust.org.

Free Gift Wrapping at the Elizabeth Taber Library

Bring your gifts to the Elizabeth Taber Library on Fridays in December (**December 8, 15, and 22**) between 1:00 - 4:00 pm and we'll wrap them for you. All materials will be provided. Small donations are appreciated so that we may keep up this wonderful service to the community.

Mattapoisett-Themed Articles for Sale

A sales table of the Friends of the Council on Aging will be at the Mattapoisett Historical Society's Arts and Crafts Holiday Fair. Featured are Mattapoisett-themed notecards, umbrellas, aprons, sweatshirts, and T-shirts. Come join us at the Mattapoisett Historical Society, 5 Church Street, on Saturday, **December 9** from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Mattapoisett Free Public Library

The Mattapoisett Free Public Library's Children's Department will be offering many special seasonal programs during the month of December:

Saturday, **December 9** from 1:00 - 3:00 pm:
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Wednesday, **December 13** at 3:30 pm: Gift-Making Workshop to make a hand-made gift for someone special. All materials provided – free – children under 8 years old, please bring an adult helper. Please register at the library.

Saturday, **December 16** at 2:00 pm: Make a candy lighthouse! Join us to make your very own candy creation – free – all materials provided. Children under 8 must have an adult helper; please register at the library.

School Vacation Week Events at the Library:

- On Wednesday, **December 27** at 3:00 pm, watch the movie *Storks*; free popcorn will be served.
- On Thursday, **December 28** at 1:00 pm, come to a craft workshop to make your own Super Slime Stress Ball to take home with you – free – all materials provided. Children under 8 need an adult helper; please register at the library.
- On Friday, **December 29** at 2:00 pm, join us for a meet & greet with your favorite princesses! Cinderella, Rapunzel & Princess Beauty will be here to share their stories, sing some songs and take pictures with you. Come visit with them and make a special princess craft – free – please register at the library.

Quaker Open House

Mattapoisett Friends Meeting wants to thank

the community for its support for renovations that were done to its 1827 building. Now that the rotting subfloor is replaced, the cellar shored up, and the cracking plaster fixed, an Open House has been scheduled for **December 10**. There will be a Quaker service from 9:30 to 10:00 am. Open House will be from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm with light refreshments served.

Public Forum on “An Act to Ensure Safe Access to Marijuana”

On Monday, **December 11**, the Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a Public Forum at 7:00 pm at the Old Hammondtown School Cafetorium for the purpose of first hearing an informational presentation about “An Act to Ensure Safe Access To Marijuana” by Katherine Laughman, Esq., of KP Law, and then to hear your comments and questions regarding this new law permitting retail recreational marijuana establishments in Massachusetts cities and towns including Mattapoisett.

On November 8, 2016, Massachusetts voters approved Question 4 legalizing the recreational use of marijuana and the sale of marijuana in retail establishments (Chapter 334 of the Acts of 2016). On July 28, 2017, Governor Baker signed the General Court’s revised law on the subject entitled, “An Act to Ensure Safe Access to Marijuana” (the “Act”), adopted as Chapter 55 of the Acts of 2017 addresses aspects of the retail sales of

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The Town of Mattapoisett should have an open discussion about this Law and how it relates to Mattapoisett and what do the Mattapoisett residents feel regarding the retail sale of marijuana in the Town. The State will begin accepting applications for retail marijuana establishments on April 1, 2018. The Town has various options that can be considered and the presenter from KP Law will discuss them in detail this evening. Options can include a temporary moratorium on marijuana establishments to permit the Town time to review the impacts of the Act on the Town and if Zoning and General Bylaws should be considered to locally regulate this type of retail sales. The Town could consider possible prohibition of retail marijuana sales in Mattapoisett. The town could consider no changes to its current zoning and allow establishments under current existing Zoning Bylaws.

As your Planning Board, we need to hear from you as to what you wish for us to consider regarding retail marijuana sales in Mattapoisett and we ask that you attend and share with us your thoughts.

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Pizza with Santa

The Marion Police Brotherhood will be hosting Pizza with Santa on Sunday, **December 17** from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Marion Community Center, 465 Mill Street (Route 6).

Once again, we will be accepting donations to help "fill a cruiser" with new unwrapped toys for The Justice Resources Institute, a local nonprofit organization providing intensive foster care and adoption programs for children and adolescents in our community.

Please register at the Marion Police Department, 550 Mill Street, Marion or email adicarlo@marionma.gov or acrosby@marionma.gov by December 13.

Elizabeth Taber Library

Annual Holiday Ornament Sale: The Elizabeth Taber Library is now selling their annual holiday ornament, a beautiful starfish, for only \$25! Buy yours today. They will make the perfect holiday gift for friends and family. All proceeds directly benefit the library in order to enhance our programs and services. Previous years' ornaments – a sailboat and a conch shell – are also on sale for \$20 while supplies last. Ornaments are made by McDermott Glass Studio in Sandwich.

Holiday Cookie Swap: Come celebrate the holidays at the Elizabeth Taber Library with a cookie exchange on Tuesday, **December 12**, at 4:00 pm. Bring at least a dozen homemade cookies (and the recipe!) with you to swap with others. It's a great time to share your love for baking and sweets! To register, please call the library at 508-748-1252.

Museum Passes: Looking for something fun to do indoors with friends and family this winter? Then come to the Elizabeth Taber Library to check out any of our museum passes with your SAILS library card! We currently offer discounted passes to the Museum of Fine Arts, Mystic Aquarium, New Bedford Whaling Museum, Plimoth Plantation, Roger Williams Zoo, Mass Parks Pass and NEW in 2018 – passes to the Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston. To reserve a pass or for more information, please call the library at 508-748-1252 or visit our website: www.elizabethtablerlibrary.org.

Christmas Carol Sing-Along at St. Gabriel's

The Eastern Ocean Brass Ensemble will present a Christmas Carol Sing-Along at St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church in Marion, MA on Friday, **December 15**, at 7:00 pm. The quintet, led by Bob Katcher, trumpet, is comprised of two trumpets, trombone, French horn and tuba, and will present familiar carols of the season for all to sing along! The event is open to all, with a free-will donation joyfully accepted! Ring in the holidays with an outstanding brass ensemble, sing many of your favorite carols, and bring friends and family to create a new

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Make a Difference Expo

Volunteer groups and nonprofit organizations will have the opportunity to share their mission and be matched with potential volunteers at the Make A Difference Expo to be held on Friday, **December 29**, from 1:00 - 6:00 pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Route 6 in Mattapoisett. Applications are now being accepted by organizer Miss Massachusetts Jillian Zucco, a lifelong volunteer whose platform is entitled "Choose A Cause, Make A Difference."

Ms. Zucco volunteers all-year round, working with various groups and organizations that operate on shoe-string budgets and rely on volunteers to carry out their missions. "As this year comes to an end and a new one begins, I want to remind people of the value of making a difference. Some people think about volunteering but they don't know how to go about it. This is a great way for individuals interested in volunteering to learn about the opportunities in our community and how they can get involved." Ms. Zucco believes that there is something out there for everyone's individual talents and interests.

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For more information or to request an application, please contact JillianZucco@gmail.com.

Annual Senior Citizens Holiday Dinner

The Marion Police Brotherhood Annual Senior Citizens Holiday Dinner will be held at the Marion Community Center on Saturday, **December 16**. Doors open at 11:30 am; dinner served at 12:00 noon. Open to Marion residents. Residents may bring one guest, and admission is free. Must RSVP by December 13. To RSVP, contact the Marion Council On Aging, 465 Mill Street. Call 508-748-3570 with questions or to RSVP.

Holiday House Tour and Tea

The Sippican Woman's Club presents the 31st Annual House Tour and Tea from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm on Saturday, **December 9**. Proceeds from the Holiday House Tour are used for annual scholarship awards to local students – both graduating seniors and college students. The theme this year is "Festival of Trees" with over 60 decorated trees – some for sale – in the Tavern. Wassail will be served before proceeding to five homes, each uniquely decorated.

There is also the elegant Tea at St. Gabriel's, corner of Front Street and South Street, where one can enjoy freshly baked pastries and have a chance to warm up. Tea will be served between 2:00 and 4:00 pm by club members.

Tickets are \$20 in advance by purchasing them in Marion at Serendipity by the Sea, The Bookstall, and Marion General Store. In Mattapoisett, tickets may be purchased at Isabelle's in The Ropewalk. Tickets may be reserved by mail (Sippican Woman's Club, P.O. Box 121, Marion MA, 02738; please write "tickets" on your envelope) and picked up at Coldwell Banker, next to Handy's Tavern. Tickets may also be purchased on the day of the tour, for \$25 at Coldwell Banker.

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Festival of Lessons and Carols

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Inaugurated in 1980 by recently retired faculty member, Bruce Cobbold, the festival occupies a special place in the life of the Academy. Featuring Tabor's six choral ensembles, this "Christmas card in music" to the community annually draws hundreds to the chapel to ring in the season with carols, music by the masters, and readings drawn from Scripture that tell the story of the



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9:30 AM Children's Corner
10:00 AM What's Linda Cooking?
10:30 AM Wicked Good Food
11:00 AM Painting Journeys
12:00 PM Movie
1:30 PM Interviews with Mike – Sarah
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3:00 PM Eat Well Be Happy
3:30 PM Garage X
4:00 PM The Garage with Steve Butler
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7:00 PM Money Matters TV
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8:00 PM Science 360
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9:00 PM Off the Shelf
9:30 PM Media Edge
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Friday December 8, 2017

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Navigating the Way for Seniors
8:00 AM Senior on the Move
8:30 AM Cape Cod Residences Senior
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9:00 AM Chico and Bman
9:30 AM Small Factory Productions
10:00 AM What's Linda Cooking?
10:30 AM Eat Well Be Happy
11:00 AM Painting Journeys
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10:30 PM Conversations with Dr. Don
11:30 PM Words on Film

Saturday December 9, 2017

6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon
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9:00 AM What's New Massachusetts?
9:30 AM Falmouth in Focus
10:00 AM Cape Cod Health News
10:30 AM Soutcoast Matters
11:00 AM Money Matters TV
11:30 AM Fox Robbins Business Show
12:00 PM Science 360
12:30 PM Science 360
1:00 PM Women 2 Women Today
1:30 PM Feminist Media Review
2:00 PM Off the Shelf
2:30 PM New England Authors with Kameel Nasr
3:00 PM Garage X
3:30 PM The Garage with Steve Butler
4:00 PM Sci-Fi Journal
5:00 PM The Mario and Dennis Show
5:30 PM Read, Rant, Repeat
6:30 PM Interviews with Mike – Sarah
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7:00 PM Carpe Diem – Animal Testing
7:30 PM Play On!
8:30 PM Media Edge
10:30 PM Dragons, Unicorns, and Other Creatures
11:30 PM Autism Speaks

Sunday December 10, 2017

7:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester
8:30 AM Chef's Tabel
9:30 AM Carpe Diem – Millennials Helping Those In Need
10:00 AM Don't Diss My Ability
11:00 AM Registers Report
11:30 AM Words on Film
12:30 PM 30 Medical Minuets
1:00 PM New Testament Church of Cedarville
2:00 PM Angel Talk
2:30 PM Ask Dog Lady
3:00 PM A Veteran Story
3:30 PM A Veteran Story
4:00 PM Interviews with Mike – Sarah
Donner
4:30 PM Bulldog Weekly
5:00 PM Soutcoast Matters
5:30 PM Amazing Grace Equine
6:00 PM First Congregational Church of Rochester
7:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History
8:30 PM Old Rochester Varsity Football vs Middleboro

10:00 PM Old Rochester Varsity Football vs Rockland
11:30 PM Sippican Historical Oral History

Monday December 11, 2017

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Navigating the Way for Seniors
8:00 AM Seniors on the Move
8:30 AM Carpe Diem – Animal Testing
9:00 AM Chico and Bman
9:30 AM Sing Along Fun with Miss Miriam
10:00 AM What's Linda Cooking?
10:30 AM Euro Kitchen
11:00 AM Painting Journeys
12:00 PM Movie
1:30 PM Yoga for Health
2:00 PM A Taste of Theater
2:30 PM The Kamla Show
3:00 PM 100 Mile Meals
3:30 PM Perils for Pedestrians
4:00 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
4:30 PM All Things Victorian
5:00 PM Sippican Historical Society
6:00 PM Deutsch Welles
6:30 PM Deutsch Welles
7:00 PM Deutsch Welles
7:30 PM The Collective Chat
8:00 PM Mario and Dennis Show
9:00 PM Don't Dis My Ability
10:00 PM Health Care Matters
10:30 PM 30 Medical Minuets
11:00 PM Conversations with Dr. Don

Tuesday December 12, 2017

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Navigating the Way For Seniors
8:00 AM Seniors on the Move
9:00 AM Chico and Bman
9:30 AM Curious Giraffe
10:00 AM What's Linda Cooking?
10:30 AM Eat Well Be Happy
11:00 AM Painting Oils
12:00 PM Movie
1:30 PM Yoga for Health
2:00 PM A Taste of Theater
2:30 PM The Kamla Show
3:00 PM Eat Well Be Happy
3:30 PM Garage X
4:00 PM Films for Justice
5:00 PM Hollywood Movie Maker
5:30 PM Sidewalk Entertainment
6:00 PM Playhouse Theater
6:30 PM Legal Ease
7:00 PM Registers Report
7:30 PM Money Matters TV
8:00 PM Stop My Crisis
8:30 PM Fox Robbins Business Show
9:00 PM Science 360
9:30 PM STEM in 30
10:00 PM From the Files Of Greater

Asland Paranormal
11:00 PM The Weakness
11:30 PM The Weakness

Wednesday December 13, 2017

7:00 AM Seniorize
7:30 AM Navigating the Way For Seniors
8:00 AM Seniors on the Move
8:30 AM Carpe Diem – Female Innovators
9:00 AM Chico and Bman
9:30 AM Small Factory Productions
10:00 AM What's Linda Cooking?
10:30 AM Wicked Good Food
11:00 AM Painting Oils
12:00 PM Movie
1:30 PM Yoga for Health
2:00 PM A Taste of Theater
2:30 PM The Kamla Show
3:00 PM Wicked Good Food
3:30 PM Talking Trek Show
5:00 PM Duke of Sports
6:00 PM All Things Victorian
6:30 PM Deutsch Welles
7:00 PM Deutsch Welles
7:30 PM Deutsch Welles
8:00 PM The Collective Chat
8:30 PM Sippican Historical Society
9:00 PM Don't Dis My Ability
10:00 PM Health Source
11:00 PM 30 Medical Minuets
11:30 PM Conversations with Dr. Don

MARION GOVERNMENT

Comcast Channel 95

Verizon Channel 39

Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Marion School Committee – November 28, 2017
8:00 AM Marion Conservation Commission – November 29, 2017
10:00 AM Marion Board of Selectmen – November 7, 2017
11:30 AM Marion Planning Board – November 6, 2017
12:30 PM Marion School Committee – November 28, 2017
1:30 PM Marion Conservation Commission – November 29, 2017
3:30 PM Marion Board of Selectmen – November 7, 2017
4:30 PM Marion Planning Board – November 6, 2017
5:30 PM Marion School Committee – November 28, 2017
6:30 PM Marion Town House Meeting – November 13, 2017
8:00 PM Marion Town House Subcommittee – November 27, 2017

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT

Comcast Channel 95

Verizon Channel 40

Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Rochester School Committee – November 16, 2017
9:00 AM Rochester Planning Board – November 14, 2017
11:00 AM Rochester Board Selectmen – November 27, 2017
12:00 PM Rochester Conservation Commission – November 21, 2017
1:30 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals – November 9, 2017
2:00 PM Rochester Planning Board – November 14, 2017
4:00 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen – November 27, 2017
5:00 PM Rochester Conservation Commission – November 21, 2017
6:30 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals – November 9, 2017
7:00 PM Rochester School Committee – November 16, 2017
9:30 PM Rochester Regional School Committee – October 25, 2017

EDUCATION CHANNEL

Comcast Channel 97

Verizon Channel 37

Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly
7:30 AM ORR Girls Soccer vs Somerset-Berkely
9:00 AM Old Rochester Field Hockey vs ARHS
10:30 AM Old Colony Varsity Volleyball vs Blue Hills
12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
12:30 PM Boys Varsity Soccer vs Case
2:30 PM Old Rochester Varsity Football vs Dedham
4:00 PM Girls Varsity Soccer vs Sandwich
6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
6:30 PM Boys Varsity Soccer ORR vs Sandwich
8:30 PM Boys Varsity Football vs Middleboro
10:00 PM Old Colony Varsity Volleyball vs Bristol Aggie
11:30 PM ORR Boys Varsity Soccer vs Dighton-Rehoboth

MATTAPOISETT GOVERNMENT

Comcast Channel 95

Verizon Channel 38

SHERMAN'S LAGOON by J.P. Toomey



rebirth of hope from darkness. Thousands more have followed the live streaming of the event via Tabor's Facebook page.

This year's repertoire includes airs, recitatives and choruses from Camille Saint-Saëns' *Christmas Oratorio* as well as long established old favorites. Rounding out the offerings are original compositions and new arrangements of traditional standbys making their debut on this year's festival.

The Festival begins in darkness with the lighting of the candles, accompanied by Saint-Saëns' haunting "Prelude in the Style of J. S. Bach" followed by the choral introit, "In The Beginning." From there, the choristers process to "Once in Royal David's City" and once in, invite the congregation to join in joyous celebration of the season. As always, the assembly is encouraged to raise their voices with the ensembles to form a mighty choir, culminating in the robustly magnificent "Hallelujah!" chorus from Handel's *Messiah*.

The Festival of Lessons and Carols is free and open to the public and all are welcome to attend. Please join us for this gala observance in Wickenden Chapel, 81 Spring Street, Marion, or, if you are unable to make it to Marion, online by logging onto Tabor Academy on Facebook.

Science@Work Lecture Series

Dr. Gregory Skomal, an accomplished marine biologist, underwater explorer, photographer, and author, will kick off the Tabor Academy Science@Work Lecture Series for this year on **December 11** at 6:30 pm.

For more than 30 years, Skomal has been actively involved in the study of life history, ecology, and physiology of sharks. Much of his current research centers on the use of acoustic telemetry and satellite-based tagging technology to study the ecology and behavior of white sharks.

A fisheries scientist with the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries since 1987, Dr. Skomal currently heads up the Massachusetts Shark Research

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- Holiday Crafts & Caroling @ Pilgrim UCC
- Winter Crafts, Cocoa Station & Jazz Band with NB Global Learning Charter School @ NB Whaling Museum
- Music of the Season with Our Sisters' School @ RJD House & Garden Museum
- Family Fun @ NB Public Library:
 - Stop by Santa's Workshop
- Holiday Ornament Making & Storytime with Little People's College
 - Caricature Drawings with NB Parks, Rec & Beaches
- Plankton Ornament Making @ Buzzards Bay Coalition
 - All Ages Open Mic @ First Unitarian Church NB
 - Kids Eat Free (with an adult) @ Freestone's City Grill
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 - Shop local art & hand-made gifts @ TL6 The Gallery
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 - The Z's Youth Acting Class performs "Perstephanie Goes Underground"
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Robert N. Lavallee entered into the joy of the kingdom of God on Tuesday November 28, 2017. Bob died as a result of complications from metastatic lung cancer.

Bob was born in New Bedford in 1958. He graduated from St. Anthony's High School. In his youth Bob was an avid dirt bike rider and motorcycle enthusiast. As he grew older he received and answered the call to duty to New Bedford as a firefighter and to the neighboring town of Rochester as a police officer. He was an active member of the Fire Fighter Honor Guard and a member of the Board of the Directors of the New Bedford Fire Museum.

Many people of the North End will remember him as the talented unicyclist who often rode his unicycle 3 to 4 times per week for 12 miles per day.

As a member of St. Joseph-St Therese Parish, Bob ministered to the sick and homebound as a Eucharistic Minister.

Bob was known as a person of integrity and service. His devotion and helpfulness to his family, friends, strangers and especially his fellow firefighters will always be remembered and greatly missed.

He leaves his mother, Therese Lavallee; his brothers, Donald and Maurice Lavallee and their wives Joyce and Diane; his sisters, Marie Bonneau and Diane Campeau and their husbands, Bruce and George. He also had several nieces, nephews, great nieces and a great nephew.

He was predeceased by his father, Deacon Maurice Lavallee.

His visitation was held on Sunday December 3rd at the Saunders-Dwyer Home for Funerals, 495 Park St., New Bedford. His Funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday December 4th at St. Joseph-St. Therese Church in New Bedford. Burial was private. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to the New Bedford Fire Museum, 51 Bedford St., New Bedford, MA 02740. For guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.



Thomas S. Yotides, 95, of Dartmouth, formerly of Rochester, passed away on Friday December 1, 2017. He was the husband of Demetra (Chagaruly) Yotides; they had been married for 65 years.

Born in Libohovo, Northern Epirus, Greece, the son of the late James and Olga (Boodry) Yotides, he and his family came to the United States in 1927 and settled in Waterville, Maine. He moved to the New Bedford area in the 1970s.

Mr. Yotides was formerly employed as a supervisor at Chamberlain Manufacturing until his retirement. He had previously owned and operated a pool hall and restaurant in

Waterville.

He was a parishioner of St. George Greek Orthodox Church.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army in the European Theater.

An avid poker player, he enjoyed traveling to Las Vegas. In his younger days, he played semi-professional football in Maine.

He is survived by his wife, Demetra; two children, Dino T. Yotides and his wife Vicky of Purchase, NY, and Tina Marie LePage of Dartmouth; his siblings, Spiro Yotides and his wife Geraldine of Waterville and Maria Yotides of Augusta, Maine; four grandchildren, Christopher LePage and his wife Elena, Tara LePage and her husband Sam Forgue, Catherine Yotides, and Christina Yotides; a great-grandson, Aiden Bradley LePage; and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his son-in-law, Bradley LePage, and his siblings, Kostandina, George, and Antonio Yotides.

His Funeral Service was held on Tuesday Dec. 5th at St. George Greek Orthodox Church, 186 Cross Rd., Dartmouth. His family received visitors at the church prior to the service. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Fairhaven. In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to The Holy Trinity Church Soup Run (a program to help feed and clothe the homeless), c/o Holy Trinity Church, 10 Mill Rd. New Rochelle, NY 10804. Arrangements are by the Saunders-Dwyer Home for Funerals, 495 Park St., New Bedford. For guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.



Mary Ellen (Garey) Cooper, 86, of Mattapoisett, died November 30 at Brandon Woods Nursing Home in New Bedford. She was the wife of Frank E. Cooper, Sr.

Born in Flushing, NY, on June 15, 1931, Mary later moved with her parents, the late Mary (Malek) Garey and George Garey, to Somerville, MA, where she graduated from Somerville High School. Mary worked at John Hancock Insurance Company in Boston prior to marrying in 1951, having six children, and living all over the United States in her 23 years as a Marine Corps wife. She especially loved living in Hawaii, saying the saddest day of her life was when they had to leave that paradise. She moved to Mattapoisett village with her family in 1964 and fell in love with the town beach, the band concerts, and Center School playground, which served as her family's front yard. She was a talented figure skater and taught her children and grandchildren how to skate on frozen cranberry bogs and local ice rinks.

Mary retired from the financial division at Compass Bank in New Bedford in 1993 after 18 years. She enjoyed an active retirement with her husband on trips to Europe, long cycling trips, attending Broadway musicals, picnicking at PawSox games, cooking with her grandchildren, and being

Program. He is also adjunct faculty at the University of Massachusetts School for Marine Science and Technology and an adjunct scientist at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI). He holds a master's degree from the University of Rhode Island and a Ph.D. from Boston University. He has written dozens of scientific research papers and has appeared in a number of film and television documentaries, including programs for National Geographic, Discovery Channel, BBC, and numerous television networks. His most recent book, *The Shark Handbook*, is a must buy for all shark enthusiasts.

Interest is high in our area as more sharks have been seen in and around the Cape and the Islands. Come learn more about these amazing creatures and why their numbers seem to be growing in this area.

The lecture, which is free and open to the public,

will take place in the Fireman Center for the Performing Arts at 235 Front Street, Marion, at 6:30 pm.

GiftsToGive Friend & Fund Raiser

Our Fourth Annual Holiday Crafts Fair for a Cause to benefit GiftsToGive, 1 Titleist Drive, Acushnet MA, will be held on Sunday, **December 10**, from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. Shop local. Spend a little, give a lot. One hundred percent of proceeds support local programming for children. With 55 local vendors, there will be something for everyone: holiday items, unique gifts, wood, glass, textiles, jewelry, candles, body scrubs, essential oils, Avon, Lularoe, Pampered Chef, Tastefully Simple, pet supplies, and Girl Scout cookies. There will also be a bake sale, Chinese auction, and door prizes. Free admission, free face painting, lots of parking, and our Thrift Store will be

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inseparable from her beloved Jack Russell Terrier, Molly.

She is survived by her husband of 66 years, Frank E. Cooper, Sr., and her sons Frank E. Cooper, Jr. and his companion, Sue Brownell, of Mattapoisett, Timothy J. Cooper of Mattapoisett, Thomas M. Cooper, Sr. of Mattapoisett, Michael J. Cooper and his companion, Kim Faria, of New Bedford, and daughter, Christine A. Cooper, of Mattapoisett. She leaves behind three grandchildren: Christopher Cooper of FL, Thomas M. Cooper, Jr. of Mattapoisett, and Bridgette Cooper and her fiancé Allen Ferreira of New Bedford. She also leaves two step-grandchildren, Jennifer Gill of Fairhaven and Robert Gill of New Hampshire. She was also great-grandmother to Lacey E. Cooper of Minot, N. Dakota and step-great grandmother to Chandra Perez-Gill and Mischa Tomasia, both of Fairhaven. Mary was predeceased by her son, Robert. G. Cooper of Tampa, FL, her daughter-in-law, Linda E. Cooper of Marion, and her grandson, Patrick J. Cooper of New Bedford.

Her visiting hours were held on Tuesday Dec. 5th at the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Route 6, Mattapoisett. Her Funeral Mass was celebrated on Wednesday Dec. 6th at St. Anthony's Church in Mattapoisett. Burial followed in the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation, in Mary's name, to the Alzheimer's Association at alz.org. For guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.



Raymond A. Lemieux, Sr., 88, of Mattapoisett passed away unexpectedly at home Sunday, December 3, 2017. He was the husband of the late Claire (Fleurent) Lemieux.

Born in New Bedford, son of the late Olivier and Cecile (Doucette) Lemieux, he lived in Mattapoisett for most of his life.

He served in the United States Air Force during the Korean War period.

Mr. Lemieux was a man of routine and enjoyed 7 AM coffee with the boys, cycling and attending activities at local senior centers. He could often be found sitting at his favorite picnic table at Ned's Point.

He is survived by five children, Diane Kinney and her husband Sam of Mattapoisett, Pauline Parker and her husband Barry of Fairhaven, Cecile Callahan and her husband Walter of Mattapoisett, Raymond Lemieux, Jr. and his wife Jeannie of Eagle, CO, and Doris McCarthy of North Myrtle Beach, SC; his loving companion of 18 years, Jean Szyndler of Mattapoisett; seven grandchildren, Louis Ouellette, Jamie Oliveira, Michael Parker, Jillian Leech, Kelsey Callahan, Lucas McCarthy, and Lauren McCarthy; two great-grandchildren, Scarlett Parker and Jared Turchetta; and many nieces and nephews.

He was the great-grandfather of the late Kara Parker and the brother of the late Rolande Begin, Theresa Savoie, Rita Silva, Cecile Charest, and Leona Daniel.

His Graveside Service will be held on Friday, December 15th at 12:30 PM at the Massachusetts National Cemetery, Connery Ave., Bourne, MA 02532. A reception will follow from 2-5 PM at the Reservation Golf Club, 10 Reservation Rd., Mattapoisett, MA 02739. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Friends of the Mattapoisett Bicycle & Recreational Path, P.O. Box 1336, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 or online at <https://www.gofundme.com/Matt-Rail-Trail> or to the Fairhaven Council on Aging, 229 Huttleston Avenue, Fairhaven, MA 02719.

If you have a notice you would like to have included in the Obituaries section, please contact our office at: 508 758-9055, by fax at 508-758-4845, or by email at office@wanderer.com.



MOVIE REVIEW

Fury Road

By Rob Gonsalves
www.robsmovievault.com

Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri. Starring Frances McDormand and Woody Harrelson. Directed by Martin McDonagh. Running time: 115 minutes. MPAA rating: R. Now playing in theaters.

An unburied corpse, in ancient Greek tragedy, gave pause to the very gods themselves. It was the ultimate indignity, an affront to life as well as death, a refusal of humanity. This has something to do with Martin McDonagh's *Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri*, a sort of Greek tragedy in modern garb. Here, the body, which we never see except fleetingly in police photos, is that of the teenage daughter of Mildred Hayes (Frances McDormand), who works in the town gift shop. Mildred's daughter was interrupted rather violently almost a year ago; in response, she has rented three billboards and uses them to frame an accusation. The billboards, posted within about a football field's length of each other, read as follows: "Raped while dying"; "And still no arrests"; "How come, Chief Willoughby?"

That would be Bill Willoughby (Woody Harrelson), who has done everything he can to find the rapist and murderer of young Angela Hayes. Sometimes, he says at one point, you don't catch a break. That's not nearly good enough for Mildred, who may as well be aiming her query at God. "The heaven shall reveal his iniquity," the book of Job tells us, "and the earth shall rise up against him" — in the form of billboards, presumably. *Three Billboards* proceeds in the grand classical tradition of tragedy, though it's not without humor, this being a movie by the writer/director of the madly amusing crime films *In Bruges* (2008) and *Seven Psychopaths* (2012). This is something of a crime film, too, though the major crimes take place before and (possibly) after the narrative's reach.

Whodunit? Maybe God — unless, of course, "there ain't no God and the whole world's empty and it doesn't matter what we do to each other," muses Mildred. She flirts with nihilism, but soon she's swinging into action again, driven forward by rage and grief, hardly even noticing her living son. Like many Greek-tragedy heroines, Mildred is both a great woman and a monster.



Her quarrel with Chief Willoughby is really a quarrel with death and with life, and McDormand creates a façade of stoic strength she allows to develop tiny cracks so we can see the ungovernable pain beneath.

Three Billboards deals in the, let's say, archetypal — the drunk, racist mama's boy who ultimately shapes up to be a fine detective and avenger (Sam Rockwell, mesmerizingly askew as always); the cheesy, near-pedophilic ex-husband (John Hawkes). Peter Dinklage shows up — McDonagh must love dwarves and love it when clueless idiots call them midgets, because he told that joke in *In Bruges* and tells it again here. By now such things in McDonagh's work impress us as signatures, pet themes, preoccupations we can only guess at. McDonagh had been building a rep as the next bad boy of crime cinema (cf. Tarantino, Danny Boyle, etc.), as conversant with gore as with wit. But this film feels like a step forward, or at least a step sideways.

When a character here opts for suicide, McDonagh attends to it with empathy, but also doesn't let us forget the deceased leaves behind a grieving spouse and two children. A good chunk of *Three Billboards* is about redemption and how people are stubbornly complex, able to be many things at once. A man can be good and noble and still be prideful in ways that deprive children of a father. A man can be a racist twerp and still (rather literally) come through a baptism of fire and find himself more reflective and intuitive. A woman can be full of unappeasable fury and still, in telling little moments, pop back into community and humanity when faced with another's agony. How we're supposed to feel about the ambiguous ending depends, I think, on what mood we're in — whether we want to see it as proof of evil helplessly regenerating itself or proof that even the most monomaniacal and violent can grow and change. Either mood is, accidentally I'm sure, very much of this harrowed and degraded moment.



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The Marion Firefighters Association and the Marion Police Brotherhood recently made a donation to the Marion Council on Aging. This generous donation will allow the center to purchase a washer and dryer that will aid in providing a welcoming experience for seniors visiting the center. Photos courtesy of Karen Gregory, Marion COA



Teresa Dall sent in a photo of the grand ornaments adorning her yard on North Street in Mattapoisett.

(left) Stephen Chicco submitted this photo he took from Ned's Point that he has titled "Super Moon Aliens."

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Kelly Smith took this great photo of Santa at the Rochester Tree Lighting



Oh, Christmas tree – Ho! Ho! Ho!
It's the holiday season in Rochester now that the tree is lit followed by the arrival of jolly old Saint Nick via fire engine on December 4 to usher in the holiday season. The Rochester Memorial School band and chorus treated revelers to a festive performance, while Christmas poster winner Tessa Winslow had the honor of flipping the switch to light the holiday tree. Photos by Jean Perry



Troop 53, drawing members from Mattapoisett, Marion, and Rochester, spent Saturday, November 25, volunteering at Cape Cod Cares For the Troops in Hyannis. The boys and their families assembled care packages for troops deployed overseas. Photo courtesy Reza Sarkarati



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foods. We will be serving up a soup & chowder luncheon to keep you going. For more information, call 508-758-2671 or email mattcongchurch@gmail.com.

Marion Cultural Council Members Needed

Are you interested in supporting local cultural events in Marion? Have you considered serving on a board and helping to determine how to disperse funds for cultural events? The Marion Cultural Council is looking for two volunteers interested in serving as voting members who can help share ideas and knowledge when making determinations on how funding for the cultural council is dispensed.

Please contact Kristen Saint Don, Chairperson of the Marion Cultural Council, at MarionCulturalCouncil@gmail.com with any questions about becoming a member.

Applications are available at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738.

Holiday Luncheon and Cookie Walk

Stop by the First Congregational Church of Marion Community Center on Saturday, **December 9** from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm for the 27th Annual Holiday Luncheon. Enjoy a delicious lunch stop while on the Sippican Woman's Club Holiday House Tour, or just come by for a welcome break from the holiday rush. You may even win a door prize!




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Returning after its successful debut last year, a Cookie Walk will be held at the same time as the luncheon. Some of the best bakers of the church will be busy making their signature cookies for this sale.

Your first step on the Cookie Walk will be to pick up a beautifully decorated cookie box. Next, you get to fill your box with a dozen of your favorite (or new favorite) cookies from the wonderful assortment offered. The boxes are then artfully tied up in baker's twine. The cost of each box of cookies is \$10. These cookie boxes make a perfect

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Time was up for five Rochester police officers participating in the department's 2nd annual No Shave November who said farewell to their beards and goatees as cosmetology students at Old Colony treated the officers to a shave on December 1. (right) Officers posed for a post-shave group photo with participating students and teachers outside the cosmetology classroom. Photos by Jean Perry



In this after shot from left to right, Officers Robert Nordahl, Sean Crook, Alex Malo, Jason Denham, and Nathan Valente show off their fresh faces.



At the close shave station, Officer Valente awaits his fate as the officer whose beard had achieved 'most robust' status for a second year.



L-R: Cosmetology instructor Tammy Hoyle demonstrates technique to juniors Maddie Gomes and Shantelle Hicks as Officer Denham watches his reflection.



These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com

hostess gift or a special treat when company pops in!

The Holiday Luncheon and Cookie Walk will be held on the second floor of the First Congregational Church Community Center, 144 Front Street, Marion, MA. This building is located at the rear of the Marion General Store parking lot. Parking is available at the back right of the lot, plus there is additional parking at Island Wharf.

MHS Holiday Arts & Craft Fair

Avoid mall parking lots. Don't get stuck in holiday traffic. Instead join the Mattapoisett Historical Society for our annual Holiday Arts & Craft Fair at 5 Church Street, Mattapoisett on Saturday, **December 9** from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm. Shop for unique holiday gifts – local, one-of-a-kind items. There will be a large selection of handmade creations available: art, notecards, soaps, woolens, photographs, jewelry, dried floral arrangements and more. For more information, call 508-758-2844 or email info@mattapoisetthistoricalsociety.org.

The Occasion Singers Holiday Concert

Celebrate the season with music, laughter and song! The Occasion Singers, directed by Cassandra Morgan, bring their unique talents and harmonies to concertgoers during this special holiday event.

Come to the First Congregational Church of Marion Community Center on Friday, **December 15** to hear your seasonal favorite songs and enjoy an evening of music, food and fun.

Doors open at 6:30 pm so you can savor complimentary hearty appetizers while listening to the Occasion Singers deliver their distinct brand of music. At 7:00 pm the concert begins, and all will be treated to a full array of holiday songs. The concert runs until 9:00 pm, with a brief intermission.

Advance tickets are \$20 and may be purchased at The Bookstall or at the church office (144 Front Street). Tickets may be purchased at the door for \$22. You may reserve cabaret seating by calling the church office at 508-748-1053.



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The concert will be held on the second floor of the First Congregational Church Community Center, 144 Front Street, Marion. This building is located at the rear of the Marion General Store parking lot.

Annual Garden Group Holiday Boutique

The annual Marion Garden Group Holiday Boutique will be held on **December 9** at Marion Music Hall. From seasonally designed window boxes, urns and planters around the Village to wreathes, greens, garlands topiaries and ornaments, the Marion Garden Group works hard to beautify the Village, town and private homes of Marion.

What started as a small private auction for members and friends held annually at St. Gabriel's Parish Hall has grown into a highly anticipated public event held at Marion Music Hall.

Members begin making ornaments and decorations as early as October in a marathon buzz of creativity that culminates in "Greens Week" during which the prized Garden Group wreathes, garlands and table toppers are created. Items start as low as \$3, and the group now accepts credit cards.

This year's Boutique will be held from 9:00 am - 12:00 noon in the Marion Music Hall. Early attendance is encouraged as popular items sell out early.

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TRI-TOWN POLICE LOGS



MARION

Log highlights Nov 26-Dec 2

- Front St – Suspicious MV
- Mill St – MV collision
- Wareham Rd – MV collision
- Oakdale Ave – EMS/medical
- Mill St – EMS/medical
- Mill St – 911 abandoned
- Wareham Rd – Officer wanted
- Mill St – Paper service
- Mill St – Officer wanted
- Spring St – Follow up investigation
- Front St – Suspicious MV
- Mill St – Officer wanted
- Spring St – General service
- Front St – EMS/medical
- Front St – Health/welfare
- Front St – Suspicious person
- Wareham Rd – Animal complaint
- Mill St – MV collision
- Mill St – Paper service
- Maple Ave – Officer wanted
- Spring St – Paper service
- Village Dr – Family offense
- Wareham Rd – MV complaint
- Mill St – EMS/medical
- Randal Rd – EMS/mutual aid
- Mill St – Larceny/past
- Front St – Suspicious activity
- Spring St – EMS/medical
- Mill St – Suspicious activity

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights Nov 26-Dec 2

- Fairhaven Rd - Disturbance
- Cannon St – Assist citizen
- Church St Ext – Health/welfare
- Acushnet Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Marion Rd – Restraining order service
- Neds Point Rd – Health/welfare
- Marion Rd – Officer wanted
- Creek St – Officer wanted
- Pine Island Rd – Medical assist
- Marion Rd – 911 abandoned
- Prince Snow Cir – Assist other agency
- Aucoot Rd - Complaint
- Acushnet Rd – Suspicious persons
- Acushnet Rd – B&E/MV
- Park St - Vandalism
- Pine Island Rd – Medical assist
- County Rd – Restraining order
- Brandt Island Rd – Health/welfare
- Pine Island Rd – Assist citizen
- Ocean Dr – Health/welfare
- Mattapoisett Neck Rd – Follow up
- County Rd - Notification
- North St – 911 abandoned
- Fairhaven Rd – MV crash
- Pine Island Rd – Assist citizen
- Fairhaven Rd – Assist citizen
- County Rd - Disturbance
- Fairhaven Rd – General service
- Water St - Disturbance

ROCHESTER

Log highlights Nov 26-Dec 2

- Marion Rd – Suspicious activity
- Pine St – Animal control
- Neck Rd – Ambulance request
- Stevens Rd - Investigation
- High St – Animal control
- Rounseville Rd – Highway matter
- New Bedford Rd – MV accident
- Mattapoisett Rd – MV accident
- Neck Rd – Ambulance request
- Alley Rd – Officer wanted
- New Bedford Rd - Trespass
- Sarah Sherman Rd – Noise complaint
- New Bedford Rd - Investigation
- Hartley Rd – Suspicious MV
- Hiller Rd – Suspicious MV
- Marys Pond Rd – Suspicious person
- New Bedford Rd – MV accident
- County Rd – Animal control
- Marion Rd – Ambulance request
- Marys Pond Rd – Ambulance request
- Dexter Ln – Officer wanted
- Featherbed Ln – 911 abandoned
- Dexter Ln – Restraining order service
- Briarwood Ln – Officer wanted
- Burgess Ave – Ambulance request
- Mendell Rd - Investigation
- Snipatuit Rd – Brush fire
- Robinson Rd – MV accident
- Walnut Plain Rd - Investigation

For a full PDF of the three town's police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.



REGIONAL LUNCH MENUS

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, Dec 11: Broccoli & cheese bake, hash browns, bread stick, pears, yogurt cup

Tuesday, Dec 12: Tossed salad w/dressing, beef burgundy, egg noodles, California blend vegetable, multigrain roll, peaches

Wednesday, Dec 13: Roasted chicken w/Supreme sauce, whipped sweet potato, winter blend, whole wheat roll, chocolate pudding, diet: low sugar pudding

Thursday, Dec 14: Meatloaf w/ mushroom gravy, cheesy mashed potato, beets, oatmeal bread, apple-sauce

Friday, Dec 15: Mac n' cheese, tomato Florentine, peas & mushrooms, fruit muffin, Mandarin oranges

CENTER SCHOOL

Monday, Dec 11: Mac & cheese with a soft baked pretzel, tomato wedges, roasted chick peas

Tuesday, Dec 12: Super beef & cheese burrito, fiesta rice & beans, side salad

Wednesday, Dec 13: Scrambled

eggs, bacon, tater tots, cheese filled bread stick, mixed fruit cup

Thursday, Dec 14: Tangerine chicken, fried rice, steamed broccoli, fortune cookie

Friday, Dec 15: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh tossed salad w/dressing

OLD HAMMONDTOWN

Monday, Dec 11: Hot dog, baked beans, French fries, fun size chips, carrot & celery sticks

Tuesday, Dec 12: Grilled cheese w/ tomato basil soup, oyster crackers, cucumber slices

Wednesday, Dec 13: Homemade chicken and broccoli alfredo, garlic bread, Caesar salad

Thursday, Dec 14: Shepard's pie, carrot coins, apple crisp

Friday, Dec 15: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh tossed salad w/dressing

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

Monday, Dec 11: Build a burger: cheese, lettuce, tomato, potato wedges, white bean salad, carrot & celery sticks

Tuesday, Dec 12: Mac & cheese,

chicken nuggets, carrot coins

Wednesday, Dec 13: French toast, sausage patty, potato puffs, fresh fruit, milk

Thursday, Dec 14: Tangerine chicken, brown rice, steamed broccoli, fortune cookie

Friday, Dec 15: Hot dog, baked beans, fun size chips, carrot & celery sticks, pickle

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

Monday, Dec 11: Mac & cheese with a soft baked pretzel, tomato wedges, roasted chick peas

Tuesday, Dec 12: BBQ pulled pork, baked beans, corn, cole slaw

Wednesday, Dec 13: Scrambled eggs, bacon, tater tots, cheese filled bread stick, mixed fruit cup

Thursday, Dec 14: Tangerine chicken, fried rice, steamed broccoli, fortune cookie

Friday, Dec 15: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh tossed salad w/dressing

SIPPICAN SCHOOL

Monday, Dec 11: Meatball submarine with or without cheese, side Caesar salad, cucumber coins &

carrots

Tuesday, Dec 12: Chicken tenders, spiral fries, three bean salad, fresh baked cookie

Wednesday, Dec 13: French toast, orange smiles, bacon, cheese stick, sweet potato puffs

Thursday, Dec 14: Build a burger: cheese, lettuce, tomato, bacon, pickle, pasta salad, carrot & celery sticks

Friday, Dec 15: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh tossed salad w/dressing

OLD COLONY REGIONAL

Monday, Dec 11: Sloppy Joe, fries & corn

Tuesday, Dec 12: Chicken nuggets, fries, bread & steamed corn

Wednesday, Dec 13: Assorted lunch day

Thursday, Dec 14: Italian sub & fries

Friday, Dec 15: Assorted stuffed crust pizza & Caesar salad

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Mattapoisett Congregational Church Christmas Story

For 100 years, the Mattapoisett Congregational Church has presented the Christmas Story to the community in a unique combination of storytelling, music, prayer, and mission. The White Gifts Pageant Sunday will be held on Sunday, **December 17** at 3:00 pm in Reynard Hall, 27 Church Street. White Gifts Sunday is



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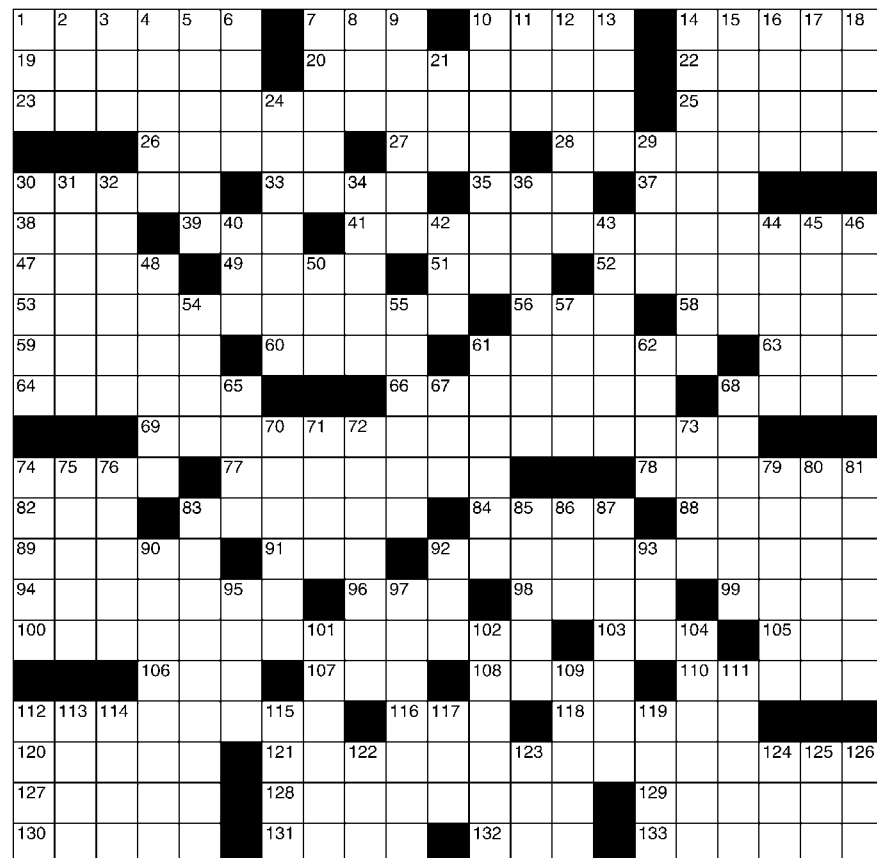
ACROSS

- 1 Racket string material
7 Mornings, in brief
10 Tip politely, as a cap
14 Foe
19 Goddess of the arts
20 Single guy
22 Cartoon art of Japan
23 Flip one's lid
25 Certain opening for a bolt
26 Proportional relationship
27 Millennium ends?
28 Bottle plugs
30 Welsh pooch
33 Brit's baby buggy
35 "I think," to a texter
37 Former miler Sebastian
38 Rainbow part
39 Drake's genre
41 Small, aggressive fowl
47 24-hr. sources of bills
49 Sorority letter
51 Bluto pursued her
- 52 Having ill will
53 Free-swimming, stalkless echinoderm
56 In addition
58 Big blender brand
59 "— Was a Lady" (Ethel Merman song)
60 Crystal ball user
61 Spring or fall
63 Discontinue
64 Martyr who's the patron of sailors
66 Made red-faced
68 24 hours —
69 Rouse to action
74 Close kin, for short
77 Final deed
78 Walks pompously
82 Capote, to pals
83 Distill brine from
84 Put in a juicer
88 Fertiliser compound
89 "Crimewave" director Sam
91 "... bug — feature?"
- 92 Wallow, as a pig in mud
94 Erase from memory
96 Crude
98 Kansas city
99 In — (testy)
100 Language of Chaucer
103 Gershwin's "Concerto —"
105 Prefix with propyl
106 Suffix with urban
107 Wormfish lookalike
108 Focal points
110 Aspiring attys.' exams
112 Make dingier
116 — roll (hot)
118 Mizrahi of fashion
120 See 97-Down
121 Genre for a headbanger
127 Carried
128 Motorcycle attachments
129 Dwell too much (on)
130 Hog havens
131 Smell
132 Vote against

- 133 Word that can follow seven key words in this puzzle

DOWN

- 1 Half — (latte order)
2 Ocean east of Ga.
3 Your, old-style
4 Knighted maestro Solti
5 One-sided
6 1909-13 president
7 Detest
8 Risque West
9 Proposed arrangement
10 Mass per unit volume
11 Trite
12 City near Sacramento
13 Worry
14 Pest control option
15 Examines
16 Loathsome
17 Love god
18 "I'm game!"
21 Easter roast
24 Server rewarders
29 Dos + seis
30 Vexes
31 Gulp down more than
32 Renovated
- 34 Die away
36 Toy dog
40 1861-65 prez
42 Neither fish — fowl
43 Elected
44 Falsified, as a check
45 Kagan on the bench
46 Dweebish
48 Makes quiet
50 Mao — -tung
54 Hot-rod engine
55 PLO leader
57 Island with Interstate H1
61 Philosopher
62 Chances
65 Eye rudely
67 Pen brand
68 Exuberant cry in Mexico
70 Downs a brew, say
71 Ruler of yore
72 Like escapees
73 Sicilian lava spewer
74 Play, as a guitar
75 Shiraz native
76 Put together
79 Edenic place
80 Most factual
- 81 Fights
83 Sounds after hang-ups
85 Nobelist Root
86 — -Z (total)
87 Singer
90 Doctor's field
92 1914-18 conflict: Abbr.
93 Galloped
95 Stagger
97 With
101 Sea nymph
102 Tribal illness curer
104 In a sauce of blazing liquor
109 Itsy- —
111 Italian for "pardon me"
112 Smidgens
113 Gershwin's "— Rhythm"
114 Goa garb
115 Really, really
117 JFK's home
119 "That's — blow"
122 Ruckus
123 History topic
124 Subdivision: Abbr.
125 "Kinda" suffix
126 Texas hrs.



SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You've let yourself be distracted from what's really important. But love finally gets your attention this week. However, it comes with a challenge that could create a problem.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Be careful not to bully others into following your lead. Best advice: Persuade, don't push, and you'll get the cooperation you need to move forward with your plans.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Resist the urge to gloat now that you've proved your detractors wrong. Instead, charm them back into your circle. Remember: A former foe can become your best ally.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You might want to claim all the credit for making this holiday season special. But is it worth producing a lot of hurt feelings by rejecting offers of help? Think about it.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Ignore a co-worker's questionable behavior. Instead, put your energy into making your own project special. Then sit back and purr over your well-deserved applause.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You might not want to accept those suggested changes in your workplace. But don't chuck them out before you check them out. You could be happily surprised.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your holiday planning might have to take a back seat for a bit so that you can handle a problem with a friend or family member. Your schedule resumes by the 9th.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Relationships in general benefit during the early part of the week, including in the workplace. Also expect some overdue changes in a personal situation.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) "Prudence" should be your watchword this week. Best not to be too open about some of the things that are currently happening in your life.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Money is on your mind, so you'd best mind how you're spending it. Take another look at that holiday budget and see where you can make adjustments.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Resolving to revive an old friendship could open some old wounds. Are you sure you want to risk that? Think this through before making a commitment.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your need to know more about a new friend could lead to some startling revelations. Best advice: Keep an open mind about what you learn until all the facts are in.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your loyalty to friends makes you a very special person to those whose lives you've touched.

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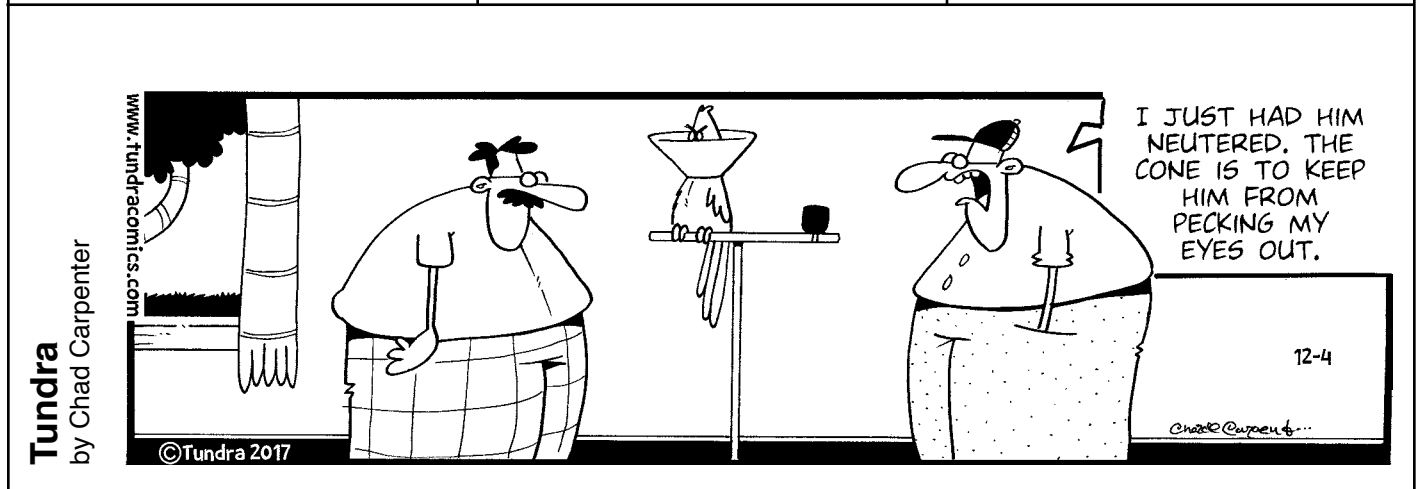


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<p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1110</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Abutters MARYANN & KENNETH CUTLER as petitioners filing an appeal of the Planning Board's Site Plan Review decision for Rochester Farms, LLC proposed location on Marion Road, Map 6, Lot 37.</p> <p>The public hearing will be held on Thursday, December 14, 2017 at 7:30 pm in the Rochester Council on Aging at 67 Dexter Lane. Richard D. Cutler, Chairman 11/30, 12/7</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1111</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Abutter CATHY MENDOZA as petitioner filing an appeal of the Planning Board's Site Plan Review decision for Wellspring Farm, LLC for property located at 42 Hiller Road, Map 11, Lots 3, 3A, and 5E.</p> <p>The public hearing will be held on Thursday, December 14, 2017 at 7:45 pm in the Rochester Council on Aging at 67 Dexter Lane. Richard D. Cutler, Chairman 11/30, 12/7</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF SELECTMEN PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>A public hearing has been scheduled for December 12, 2017 at 6:45 pm in the first floor Conference Room of the Mattapoisett Town Hall, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA upon the application of THE WALRUS AND CAPTAIN, 33 County Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 for an All Alcoholic License and Common Victualer's License for 33 County Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Manager of record to be Michael Sudofsky. Paul A. Silva, Chairman Jordan C. Collyer, Vice Chairman R. Tyler Macallister, Clerk 11/30, 12/7</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on the following applications:</p> <p>Application of: MZIKI/DBA 7-11, 51 County Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. RE: 51 County Road. The applicant is seeking a Special</p>	<p>Permit to Franchise 7-11 to MZIKI under an Amendment to BOA Case #1034, as provided by Section 7.2.2 of the Zoning By-Laws. The property is further described as Plot 16, Lot 153 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held at the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, December 21, 2017 at 6:00 pm. Case #1400</p> <p>Application of: NEW ENGLAND TELVERIZON, P.O. Box 2749, Addison, TX 75001. RE: 34 Mechanic Street. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under 3.1.2.1, 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3 of By-Law and as provided by Section 7.2.2 of the Zoning By-Laws to request a permit to upgrade its HVAC system with a rooftop system. The property is further described as Plot 9, Lot 36 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held at the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, December 21, 2017 at 6:15 pm. Case #1401</p> <p>Application of: DOS AMIGOS, LLC, 12 Fellowship Circle, West Wareham, MA 02576. RE: Plot 14B, Lot 53&59 Dupont Drive. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under 6.2.2 of By-Law and as provided by Section 7.2.2 of the Zoning by-Laws to request permission to build a single-family home with a garage under. The property is further described as Plot 14B, Lot 53&59 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held at the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, December 21, 2017 at 6:30 pm. Case #1402</p> <p>Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours. Sincerely, Susan Akin, Chairperson Mary Anne Brogan, Eugene DesLandes, Norman Lyonnais, Kenneth Pacheco 12/7, 12/14</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE</p> <p>The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at 7:30 pm at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, on a Request for Determination of Applicability (File No. 41D-1669), submitted by STANLEY S. RUSSO, to demolish the current dwelling and build a new three-bedroom cape style home at 4 Crapo Street. The site is further identified as Lot 196 on Marion Assessors' Map 16. Cynthia Callow, Chairman 12/7</p>	<p>TOWN OF ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Rochester Town Hall Conference Room regarding a Special Permit for a Back Lot filed by MADELEINE M. MONTEIRO, 31 Royal Way, South Dartmouth, MA 02748, for property located at 0 Walnut Plain Road, Assessors' Map 24, Lots 2 & 4 and depicted on a plan entitled "Plan of Land at South Street in Rochester, Massachusetts" dated October 17, 2017, prepared for Theodore L. Monteiro, Jr. & Madeleine M. Monteiro, Trustees of the Monteiro Family Trust, prepared by Outback Engineering Incorporated, 165 East Grove Street, Middleborough, MA 02346. The property owners of record are Theodore L. Monteiro, Jr. and Madeleine M. Monteiro, 31 Royal Way, South Dartmouth, MA 02748.</p> <p>The Plan and Application are on file at the Rochester Town Hall Annex, 37 Marion Road, Rochester, MA and may be reviewed during the hours of 8:30 am till 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Arnold Johnson, Chairman 12/7, 12/14</p> <hr/> <p>off the mark by Mark Parisi</p> 



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Mattapoisett SEPAC Officer Vacancy

The Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) is seeking a Mattapoisett resident to serve as an elected officer. The SEPAC is led by three officers – one from each community within the Tri-Town. The Mattapoisett SEPAC officer role is currently vacant. If you have interest in serving and/or would like more information regarding the responsibilities, please contact The Office of Student Services, Attn: Director of Student Services Michael S. Nelson, 508-758-2772 ext.1942, mikenelson@oldrochester.org.

Massachusetts state law requires all public school districts to maintain a Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) open to all parents of students with disabilities, and all other interested parties. SEPACS' key points: Advise the school committee on matters pertaining to the education and safety of students with disabilities; meet regularly with school officials to participate in the planning, development, and evaluation of special education programs; receive assistance from the school committee without charge, upon reasonable notice, and subject to the



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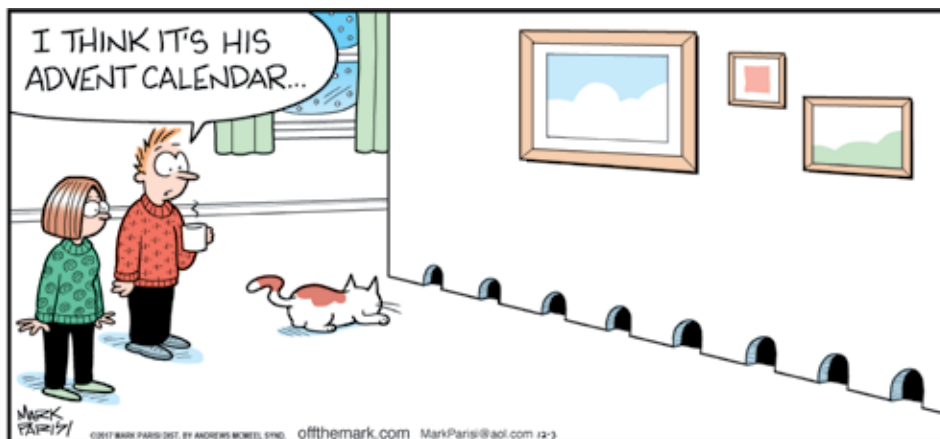
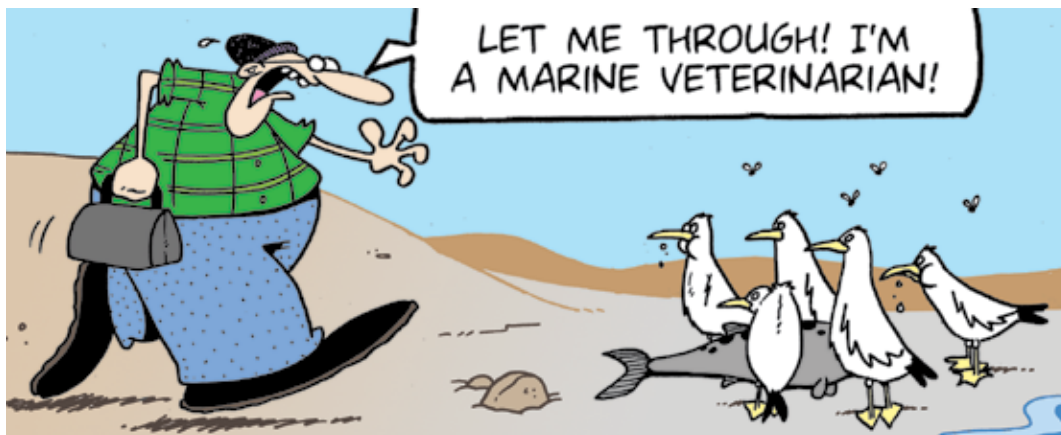
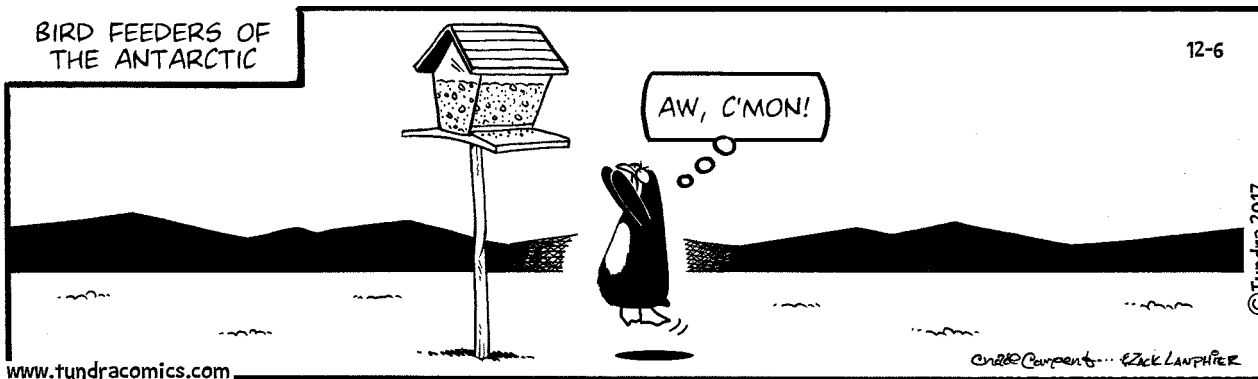
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This historic masterpiece was the gift of Elizabeth Sprague Pitcher Taber whose vision was that Marion and surrounding communities have a hall for lectures, concerts, and performances. It was constructed in 1891 for \$23,000. Through the years, it has been a favored venue for town committee meetings and parties, for concerts and musicals, and for private events including weddings and parties. Mrs. Taber also had the vision to build the Town Library and Natural History Museum, the Stone Chapel at the Congregational Church, and Tabor Academy, originally founded to educate girls and boys of Marion.

The Music Hall is available free of charge to all Town of Marion committees and organizations such as the Elizabeth Taber Library, the Council on Aging, and the Police and Fire Departments. In honoring Elizabeth Taber's wishes, it remains accessible to all Marion citizens according to the new fee schedule, which helps defray the costs to taxpayers while covering maintenance and




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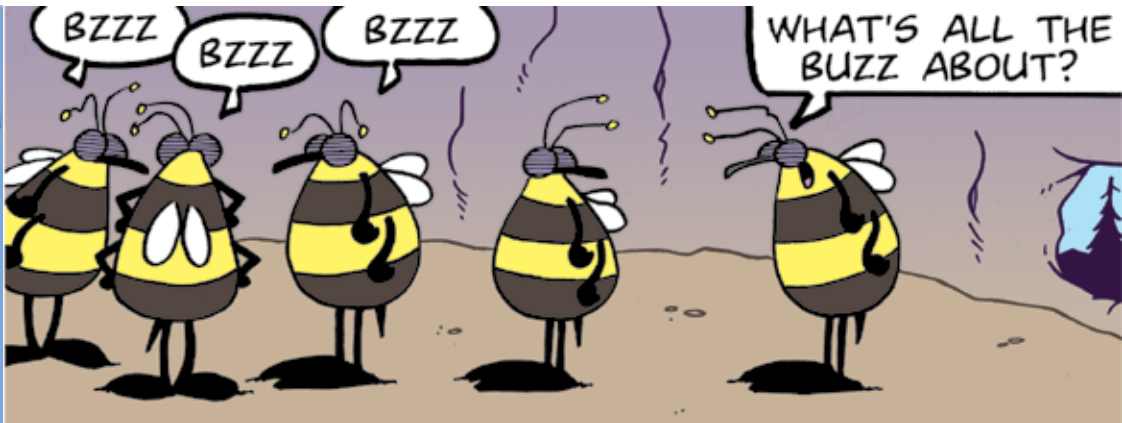


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Derek J. Medeiros	December 12
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Louie Aiello	December 12
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utility expenses. While the rate structure has changed, the rates remain among the most competitive in Marion and surrounding towns. Local couples will be hard pressed to find such a great wedding venue on a weekend for as low as \$600. (Bookings made before September 1, 2017 will honor the original rental fees.)

For inquiries and further information, please contact Tami Daniel, Music Hall Coordinator, at tdaniel@marionma.gov or 508-748-9556.

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The Regain Addiction Family Support Group will be starting a new group session in Mattapoisett. This peer discussion group will provide encouragement and information to anyone that has been affected by another's addiction. Each session has a Certified Naloxone/Narcan trainer, Addiction Recovery Coach, and faith-based ministry group host to answer questions. Meeting groups are being held in the Southeast Massachusetts area now.

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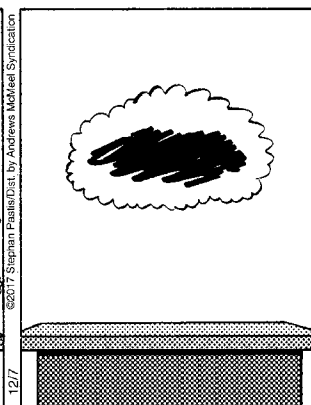
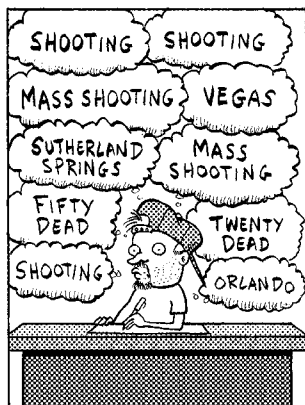
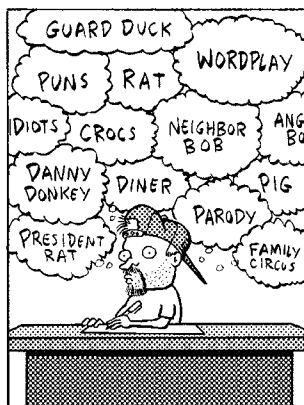
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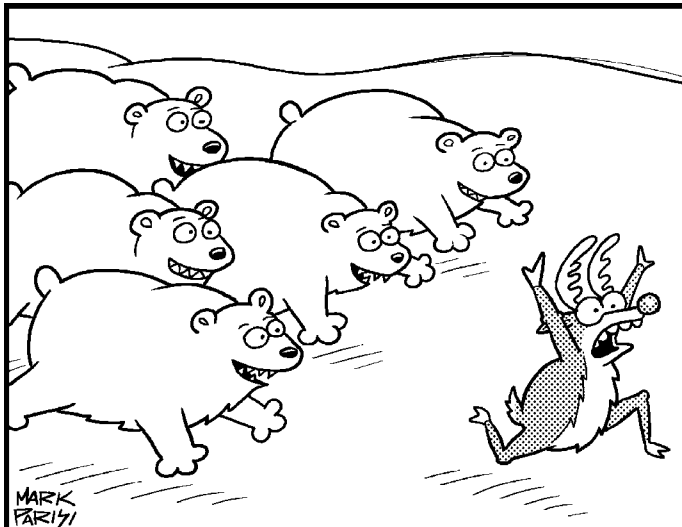
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Local Tides

Day	Date	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	December 7	10:40	11:12	3:39	4:46
Friday	December 8	11:38	...	4:33	5:51
Saturday	December 9	12:11	12:36	5:36	7:25
Sunday	December 10	1:10	1:34	7:20	8:36
Monday	December 11	2:09	2:33	9:08	9:29
Tuesday	December 12	3:09	3:34	10:09	10:07
Wednesday	December 13	4:10	4:33	10:54	10:34
Thursday	December 14	5:05	5:25	11:28	10:59
Friday	December 15	5:53	6:11	11:58	11:31
Saturday	December 16	6:35	6:53	...	12:29
Sunday	December 17	7:14	7:32	12:07	1:05
Monday	December 18	7:51	8:10	12:47	1:43
Tuesday	December 19	8:27	8:47	1:29	2:22
Wednesday	December 20	9:02	9:24	2:10	2:59
Thursday	December 21	9:38	10:03	2:50	3:34
Friday	December 22	10:16	10:44	3:29	4:08
Saturday	December 23	10:58	11:29	4:08	4:43
Sunday	December 24	11:44	...	4:50	5:23

Phases of the Moon	Last Quarter	December 10th
	New Moon	December 18th
	First Quarter	December 26th
	Full Moon	January 1st



I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer online and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

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In the November 30, 2017 issue the Aardvark was on page 66!

PUZZLE ANSWERS

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

C	A	T	G	U	T	A	M	S	D	O	F	F	R	I	V	A	L		
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			R	A	T	I	O	E	M	S	S	T	O	P	P	E	R	S	
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			I	T	E	E	L	H	U	B	S	L	S	A	T	S			
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S	T	I	E	S	O	D	O	R	N	A	Y	W	E	I	G	H	T		

SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Resign; 2. Remote;
3. Under; 4. Falter

Today's Word
OUTSIDE

Sudoku Answer

8	3	9	2	1	5	6	7	4
2	4	5	8	6	7	1	3	9
7	1	6	9	3	4	2	5	8
3	6	7	1	4	9	8	2	5
5	2	8	3	7	6	4	9	1
1	9	4	5	2	8	3	6	7
4	7	2	6	5	1	9	8	3
9	5	3	4	8	2	7	1	6
6	8	1	7	9	3	5	4	2

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